WEATHER FORECASTS

Victoria and Vicinity—Strong winds or gales, mostly northerly and easterly, generally fair and cold.
Lower Mainland—Winds mostly northerly and easterly, fresh to high on the Gulf, partly cloudy and cold.

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VOTES RECORDED BY CONFERENCE

Labor Men Adopt Resolution Against Conscription and Defeat One Favoring Agitation for Repeal of Bill

MR. HENDERSON MAKES STIRRING APPEAL

Shows That Many Single Men Have Enlisted Since Reopening of Derby Scheme—No Industrial Compulsion

BRISTOL, Jan. 27.—Apparently contradictory votes at the Labor Conference today, condemning conscription and declining to agitate for the repeal of the military service bill, were brought about by the labor men's determination to display their unflinching opposition to militarism, and their desire at the same time not to embarass the Government in the prosecution of the war.

These views were given expression in the various speeches of the leaders, even those supporting the Government's compulsion scheme, such as Mr. Arthur Henderson, President of the Board of Education, Mr. George Henry Roberts, member of parliament for Norwich, and Mr. Will Thorne, Social-Democrat, saying they were unalterably opposed to any permanent conscription system, but adding that the circumstance of the present military expediency compelled them to the conclusion that some such temporary scheme was an absolute necessity.

Mr. Henderson, in a stirring speech, in reply to charges of trickery and deception on the part of the Government, declared that for the first time in history the Premier and the Secretary for War had invited the labor leaders to meet them in order to explain the situation to them. Mr. Henderson proceeded to refute other charges from Socialistic quarters, to the effect that the Government had extended its war programme in proportion as the numbers in the army increased.

He showed that the extension of theatres of war had been brought about by the Central Powers, and the Entente Allies had only sent armies where they needed to meet fresh developments. He gave figures to show the promising results of the reopening of the Derby scheme for recruiting, and said he had obtained public as well as private pledges that the compulsory service measure would not be used for industrial compulsion.

Under Derby Scheme

Coming to the question whether the Labor members ought to quit the coalition government, Mr. Henderson, in defending the Government, made an interesting announcement concerning the continued success of the Earl of Derby's enlistment scheme.

Mr. Henderson said that since December 15, when the Derby scheme closed, no fewer than 113,987 single men had enlisted, of whom 23,000 enlisted direct instead of under the group system. The speaker said he considered this an excellent result of the reopening of the Derby scheme, and if this rate of enlistment continued, by the end of six weeks the Laborites would probably be in the position of realizing the hope that the military service bill would be rendered a dead letter.

The bill, Mr. Henderson contended, had been amended in a manner which ought to satisfy everyone upon the question of industrial compulsion. The speaker appealed to the conference to remember that the country was in the midst of the greatest war that was ever known, and advised his hearers against starting an agitation for the repeal of the bill which they might be unable to control.

"Do not, in this crisis," said Mr. Henderson, "so incite our men, that by their own action, led by you but unable to be controlled by you, they may take a course that may bring about the most lamentable defeat this country and its Allies have ever experienced."

Mr. Roberts pointed out that compulsion had often been used by the trade unionists, and thought that when the country was passing through such an unprecedented crisis it was justifiable to apply it for the defence of the country. The conference adjourned until tomorrow.

Two Resolutions

The resolution against conscription follows:

"Resolved, that this National Labor party protest emphatically against the adoption of conscription in any form, as it is against the spirit of British democracy and full of danger to the liberties of the people."

When the delegates assembled today they found this resolution on their tables, and also one on the military service bill. These were designed to take the place of the numerous proposals which had been made on the subject.

The first resolution was adopted on a card vote of 1,716,000 against 360,000.

The second resolution read: "This congress declares its opposition to the military service bill, and in the event of it becoming law decides to agitate for its repeal."

This was defeated on a vote of 649,000 to 614,000.

Wounded Soldiers Return

ST. JOHN, N.B., Jan. 27.—The Allan liner Pretorian, with returned wounded and invalided soldiers on board, docked here this morning.

Austrian Emperor Worse

ROME, Jan. 27.—It is reported in Vatican circles that the condition of Emperor Francis Joseph, who has been seriously ill for several days, is rapidly growing worse.

EVEN MONKS AT WAR

Inmates of Bulgarian Monastery Try to Oust Their Serbian Neighbors—Find Defences Too Strong

LONDON, Jan. 27.—A dispatch to The Times from Bucharest says: "The war has invaded the peaceful seclusion of Mount Athos, where Bulgarian monks from the monastery of Zographu endeavored to oust their Serbian brethren from the neighboring monastery of Chillandari. The attack failed, owing to the defences of the Serbian monastery, whereupon the Bulgarians set fire to a portion of the structure. All the monasteries on the holy mountain were fortified in the middle ages in order to resist pirates."

Athos mountain is on the easternmost of the three Macedonian peninsulas projecting into the Aegean Sea, southeast of Salonica. The peak rises 6,350 feet. Numerous monasteries are built on it, many of them extending back to the fourteenth century.

With Fourteen Wounds

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—With fourteen wounds in his body, and a crippled left arm, P. Le Comte, engineer in the roads department at the city hall, is back at his desk again, honorably discharged from the ranks of the French army after nearly a year and a half of active service. He returned from the front about a month ago and has since been recuperating. He was promoted corporal for bravery under fire in the Argonne, having risked his life to rescue and dress the wounds of a soldier who had gone down under heavy shell fire.

RECOMMENDED FOR GALLANTRY

Names of Over Fifty Canadians Mentioned as Having Given Distinguished Service—List Is Supplementary

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The names of more than fifty Canadians are included in a list issued tonight as having been recommended for gallant and distinguished service in the field. The list is supplementary to that published on New Year's Day. The names announced and the units in which they served are:

Canadian Staff—Brevet Col. T. B. Wood, Lieut.-Col. Armstrong, Col. A. L. Ross, Lieut.-Col. C. H. Mitchell, Brevet Lieut.-Col. G. R. Frith, Temporary Major A. B. Cuttliffe, Major J. H. Elmsley, Capt. K. A. Murray, Capt. R. L. Napier.

Strathcona Horse—Cpl. J. S. Hewitson, Pte. J. M. Dunwoody.

Artillery—Lieut.-Col. C. H. Maclaren, Sgt. J. R. Langford, Bdr. G. Quilter, Gr. V. A. Bleakney.

Engineers—Lieut.-Col. W. B. Lindsay, Lieut. E. A. Baker, Sgt.-Major S. A. Ridgewell, Sgt. W. H. B. Bevan, Cpl. G. Law, Cpl. J. F. Norton, Lce.-Cpl. D. B. Jones, Sapper F. T. Spencer.

1st Battalion—Pte. J. F. Murray.

2nd Battalion—Temporary Lieut.-Col. A. E. Swift, Sgt. G. G. Winterbottom, Lce.-Cpl. J. Maxwell.

3rd Battalion—Sgt. H. V. Spence, Lce.-Cpl. E. H. Jones.

4th Battalion—Pte. J. Millard.

5th Battalion—Cpl. E. G. McFeat.

7th Battalion—Sgt. J. Holland, Pte. W. Paterson.

10th Battalion—Lieut.-Col. J. G. Rattray, Sgt. C. Morrison.

13th Battalion—Lce.-Sgt. W. N. Jones, Cpl. O Kranhcel.

14th Battalion—Regimental Sgt.-Major W. A. Bonnsor, Sgt. E. Cowan.

15th Battalion—Signalling Sgt. W. B. Velener, Sgt. R. Gilpin.

16th Battalion—Regimental Sgt.-Major J. Kay, Sgt. W. Lemaitre.

22nd Battalion—Pte. A. Deblois, Pte. P. A. Lambert.

27th Battalion—Pte. A. Bonner, Pte. J. J. Milne

29th Battalion—Lce.-Cpl. A. J. Hourston, Pte. W. B. Harris.

Army Service Corps—Lieut.-Col. W. A. Simpson, Cpl. M. S. Purton, Driver J. Sutcliffe.

Military Staff—Staff-Sgt. A. P. C. Sprange.

EXCHANGE OF SHELLS

Italians Stop Austrian Attacks on Several Positions—Ground Gained on Carso Front

ROME, Jan. 27.—The following official communication was issued today:

"Along the whole front there has been artillery activity, assisted by aeroplanes. The enemy artillery started a violent fire in the Terratenola valley, which we immediately mastered and stopped.

"Enemy aviators dropped bombs on Ala, in the Lagarina valley, on Roncego, and Borgo, in the Sugana valley, but without damage. Our artillery destroyed observation posts in the Franza valley, the upper Sextenstein, and at Monte Nero.

"In the Gorizia zone, the enemy offensive was stopped, our troops holding firmly entrenched positions. The enemy, who were reported marching toward the Isonso bridge, were scattered by our artillry.

"On the Carso front on Wednesday, one of our detachments, by a surprise attack towards the San Martino church, gained ground, which was strengthened and held."

Message From King Nicholas

PARIS, Jan. 27.—King Nicholas of Montenegro, who is now at Lyons, France, sent to President Poincare today a telegram expressing assurances of his devotion to the Entente Allies. The President replied with a telegram in which he said the Allies would "continue the war until the oppressed peoples are freed from the Germanic powers."

Capital's Patriotic Fund

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—The capital's three-day patriotic fund campaign, which closed tonight, resulted in the securing of $508,163. The committee in charge aimed at $400,000. The civil servants in the city contributed $130,141 and the city $80,[illegible].

KING'S SPEECH AT PROROGATION

Refers to Firm Determination of Britain and Her Allies to Carry on War to Final Decisive Victory

PARLIAMENT TO MEET AGAIN NEXT MONTH

New Vote of Supply for Carrying on War Is Necessary—Taxation to Meet Part of Heavy Outlay

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Parliament was prorogued today until February 13. In closing it King George said:

"We will not lay down our arms until we have vindicated their use, which carries with it the future of civilization."

The speech of the King probably was the briefest on record on such an occasion, but his reference to the war was regarded as highly important.

"For eighteen months my navy and army have been engaged, in concert with brave and steadfast Allies, in defending our common liberty and the public law of Europe against unprovoked encroachments by the enemy," he said.

"I am sustained by the determination of my people at home and overseas to carry our flag to final decisive victory. In this struggle, forced upon us by those who hold in light esteem the liberties and covenants which we regard as sacred, we shall not lay down our arms until we have vindicated the cause which carries with it the future of civilization.

"I rely with confidence on the loyal and united efforts of all my subjects, which have never failed me, and I pray that Almighty God may give us his blessings."

The King thanked the House for the liberality with which it has provided for the heavy demands of the war.

The speech was read by Baron Buckmaster of Chiddington, Lord High Chancellor.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The Royal assent and other formalities giving statutory force to the military service bill, the trading with the enemy bill, and the bill prolonging the life of parliament, were concluded in the House of Commons today, and parliament was prorogued until February 15.

At the reassembling next month, after an unusually short recess, the House of Commons, owing to the necessity for financing the war, will be engaged almost exclusively for some weeks in financial business. A new war credit vote will be necessary, as the sums already voted will be exhausted before the end of February. It is understood that the budget will be submitted at the earliest possible moment, and that it is likely to contain drastic new taxation proposals, including probably a scheme for compulsory investment in the war loan of a proportion of the earninggs of the community, the aim being thus to reach the greatly enhanced earnings of workers engaged in the manufacture of munitions and other Government necessities.

ENEMY EFFORTS TO BREAK LINE

Allies Are Withstanding Attempts to Gain Ground in West—No Developments of Importance Elsewhere

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Considerable fighting has been taking place along the entire French front. Berlin asserts that between 500 and 600 yards of French trenches were stormed by the Germans in the vicinity of Neuville, and that French counter-attacks were without result. In this region, the French assert, the Germans were driven from mine craters they had occupied, and were repulsed in trying to recapture them; while they also report the progressive occupation by their men of mine craters and German listening posts in the Neuville region.

Paris announces that German trenches in a bombardment north of the Aisne have been badly hammered by the French guns, and that the Germans suffered serious losses in the Argonne.

While considerable fighting has been going on along the Russian front at various places, from Riga to East Galicia, no important results have been attained by either side. On the Austro-Italian front, in the Caucasus region, and in the Balkans, quiet prevails.

The British report that the Turks have evacuated their trenches on the land side of Kut-el-Amara defences to about a mile from the entrenchments occupied by the besieged British force. The report says there is no change in the situation of the British force marching up the Tigris River to the relief of Kut-el-Amara.

The British Labor Congress, while opposing by a large majority the provisions of the military service bill, has defeated a proposal that the workingmen should agitate for its repeal.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, has informed Parliament that in order to relieve the pressure on shipping and make room in vessels for additional imports of provisions, restrictions against importations of certain goods will be put into effect by the Government.

In his speech, read at the prorogation of Parliament until February 15, King George expressed the determination of the Entente Allies to continue the war until victory is accomplished.

HEAD OF HOSPITAL

Lieut.-Col. Casgrain in Command of Red Cross Convalescent Institution at Bushey Park

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—Lieut.-Col. C. R. Casgrain, C.M.R., has been appointed to the command of the King's Canadian Red Cross convalescent hospital established at Bushey Park, one of His Majesty's private residences, the correspondent in London of The Gazette cabled last night. Lieut.-Col. Casgrain has recovered, the correspondent said, from the attack of dysentery which caused him to be invalided home from the Dardanelles when in charge of the stationary hospital there. Latterly he has given valuable assistance at Westcliffe Hospital, Folkestone.

Other items sent by The Gazette's correspondent are:

"Lieut.-Col. F. W. Hill, of the 1st Western Battalion, whose promotion was foreshadowed some time ago, has been awarded the D.S.O.

"Lieut.-Col. H. F. McLeod, of the 12th Reserve Battalion, is still a patient at Westcliffe, but is practically recovered from his recent attack of pneumonia."

Has Russian Contracts

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—A committee has been formed by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company to take charge of the negotiations for the financing of the company's war contracts, consisting of Col. B. W. Dunn, who was in charge of the Franklin (Penna.) arsenal for the United States army; J. P. Murry, legal representative of the Russian shell committee, and three others. The financing is to be done by the Russian Government.

CONSERVATIVES ARE CONFIDENT

Enthusiasm Is Displayed at Central Association's Meeting—Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt on Financial Problems

Conservatism, strong, virile and confident in the future as in the past—this was the impression conveyed at the gathering in the Alexandra Club ballroom last evening when the Victoria Conservative Association, the parent body, held its annual meeting. Every seat in the auditorium was filled long before the hour for the opening of the meeting, the audience being thoroughly representative of almost every class in the community. The proceedings were characterized by an enthusiasm which very effectually dispelled any lingering doubts which may have been held as to the spirit of the party in this constituency.

The Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, Minister of Finance, delivered an excellent address. He took as his theme his conception of the duties of the office to which he had been summoned by Premier Bowser, spoke of what he believed to be the chief problems he would be called on to solve, touched on the magnificent resources of British Columbia, and pictured a future rich in its promise of great progress and development.

The election of officers for the ensuing term took place. Both Mr. Reginald Hayward, president, and Mr. R. H. Powell, honorary treasurer, were unanimously re-elected. Mr. W. H. Price, having tendered his resignation as honorary secretary some weeks ago, this was accepted with expressions of regret, and Mr. James Huxtable was the unanimous choice in his stead.

During the evening excellent speeches were delivered by the Hon. W. R. Ross, acting Premier, and the Hon. Thomas Taylor, Minister of Public Works.

A series of resolutions were passed. One expressed regret at the retirement from Provincial politics of Sir Richard McBride, one pledged unanimous support to his successor in the premiership, Hon. W. J. Bowser, and another expressed confidence in the Government of the Rt. Hon. Sir R. L. Borden.

(An extended report appears on Page 3.)

BLOCKADE DISCUSSION

Morning Post Refuses to Accept Sir Edward Grey's Assurances as to Stopping German Trade

LONDON, Jan. 27.—"We are still ignorant as to whether or not what is loosely called the blockade of Germany is being properly enforced," is The Morning Post's deduction from Sir Edward Grey's speech in the House of Commons, which it calls the customary official defence of the policy of the Foreign Office respecting the war at sea.

Regarding what it terms Sir Edward's "almost passionate insistence upon the rights of neutrals," The Morning Post says:

"The Foreign Office throughout the war has been trying to reconcile the irreconciliable—neutral advantages and our own interests. It is perfectly useless to contend that neutral advantages have not greatly prevailed over national interests."

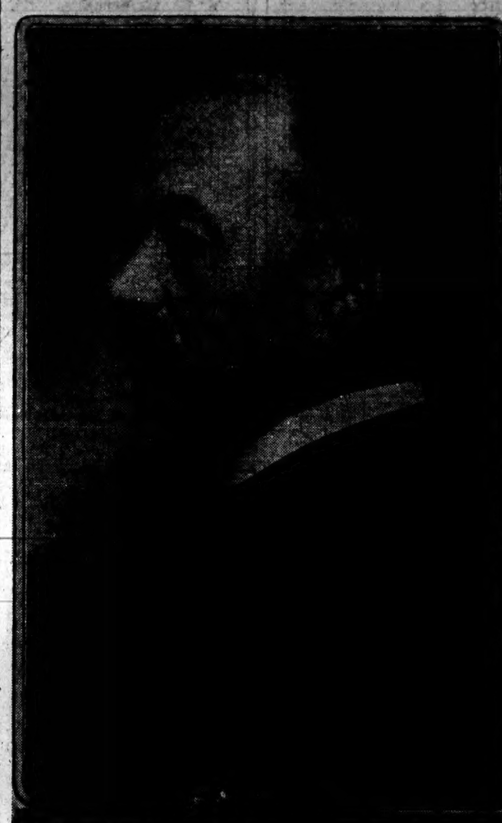
The Morning Post speaks of the war trade department as an amateur committee, which has some unexplained relation with the Admiralty and the Foreign Office, and which issues statements. The newspaper calls the contraband committee another ambiguous body, with the power to release ships without reference to the prize court.

"The only solution," says The Morning Post in conclusion, "is to entrust the entire matter to the Admiralty, and we will continue to insist on this."

Propose Visit to England

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Dispatches received here from Petrograd say that the upper and lower houses of the Russian parliament will confer shortly on the subject of a visit of members of the Duma to England. This visit probably will be made during the Easter holidays.

Is Tendered Nomination



HON. A. C. FLUMERFELT

British Columbia's new Finance Minister, who at the annual meeting of the Victoria Conservative Association was formally tendered the nomination for the seat made vacant by the resignation of Sir Richard McBride.

TURKS LEAVE TRENCHES

Evacuate Positions on Land Side of Kut-el-Amara and Retire About Mile—No Other Changes

LONDON, Jan. 27.—General Townshend, commanding the British forces invested at Kut-el-Amara, in Mesopotamia, reported that the Turks evacuated their trenches on the land side of the defences at Kut-el-Amara and retired about a mile from the British entrenchments, according to an official announcement issued tonight.

No change in the situation was reported by General Aylmer, commanding the British column that has been marching to the relief of the Kut-el-Amara garrison.

Want Military Census

HAMILTON, Ont., Jan. 27. — At a meeting of the Hamilton Recruiting League last evening, on motion of J. P. Bell, it was decided to petition the Government to have the necessary authority issued for a special census of all men of military age.

MORE ACTIVITY ON EAST FRONT

Russians Report Success in Several Engagements With Enemies—Former Cruiser Goeben Severely Damaged

PETROGRAD, Jan. 27.—The following official communication was issued today:

"On the Western (Russian) front, German aeroplanes continued to make frequent flights over Riga and Dvinsk regions, where they dropped bombs. Southwest of Lake Norotche, one of our scouting parties encountered the enemy. They made a surprise bayonet attack on the German detachment, and put it to flight, inflicting heavy losses and taking prisoners.

"Southeast of Kolki, our scouts got through the enemy entanglements and destroyed them with grenades.

"In Galicia, on the middle Strips, the enemy continued his artillery fire. On the Dniester, in the region of Usciecsko, near the bridgehead, we attacked the enemy with grenades. North of the Boyana River the enemy, after exploding three mines in front of our lines, made several attempts to attack, but were repulsed by our fire.

"Caucasus front: In the region of Erserum we stopped attempts by the Turks to assume the offensive, capturing prisoners. In the region of Melazghert we successfully encountered Turkish detachments."

An official communication made public today says: "It has been learned that the Turkish cruiser Sultan Selim (formerly the Goeben) sustained severe damage in an engagement on January 8. Her casualties included 33 men killed and 80 wounded."

Defence of London

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The Government has decided that henceforth the War Office shall be solely responsible for the defence of London from air attacks. To a parliamentary delegation seeking information, Earl Kitchener and Mr. A. J. Balfour explained that the difficulties in the past were due to a deficiency of anti-aircraft machines, but efforts to remedy the shortage were meeting with good results.

SENDS PROTEST REGARDING MAIL

Washington Affirms That Consular Mail Bags Are Vexatiously Treated by Britain—Loss of Letters

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The text of the American protest to Great Britain against interference with neutral mails, made public tonight, reveals that diplomatic and consular mail bags have been treated in a manner which the United States considers "vexatiously inquisitorial." The note describes the practice of the British officials as "unwarranted interferences" and "urgently requests a prompt reply, pointing out that 'a strong feeling is being aroused'" in this country by the loss of valuable letters, while foreign banks are refusing to cash American drafts because they have no assurance that the drafts are secure in the mails.

The United States declares that parcel post articles are entitled to the exemptions of neutral trade, and denies the right of Great Britain to take neutral ships into British jurisdiction for the purpose of search, and then submit them to local censorship regulations. It also denies that the British Government has any authority over neutralized mails on ships which merely touch at British ports.

With the text of the American note was made public Great Britain's ad interim reply, saying that questions of principle raised by the United States have made it necessary for Great Britain to consult her Allies before answering finally, and indicating that there will be no unnecessary delay in the negotiations.

The note is in the form of a memorandum to Ambassador Page at London, instructing him to file a "formal and vigorous protest."

Fears for Prince Mirko

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Dispatches from Rome say that Prince Mirko, son of the king of Montenegro, is believed to have been either killed or captured by the Austrians at Scutari, Albania.

Enver Pasha's Declaration

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Athens quotes Enver Pasha, Turkish Minister of War, as saying: "With German help we are now ready to strike at Great Britain by way of the Suez Canal. Our motto is: 'On to Egypt.'"

BRITISH GUNS BATTER ENEMY

Retaliate With Success on Batteries and Trenches at Several Points on Line—Mine Exploded Near Givenchy

FRENCH REOCCUPY SOME LOST POSITIONS

Many Dead Bodies in Ground Retaken—Berlin Report Says Gains Are Held Against Counter-Attacks

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The following official communication was issued tonight:

"Early this morning we exploded a mine opposite Givenchy. Organized bombardments have been carried out on several portions of the enemy's lines. The German artillery has been active today east and northeast of Loos, south of the Bois Grenier, northeast of Armentieres and northeast of Ypres. Our artillery retaliated successfully on the enemy batteries and trenches."

Enemy Driven From Craters

PARIS, Jan. 27.—The following official statement was issued this afternoon:

"In the Artois district last night there was spirited cannonading in the sector of Neuville St. Vaast. In the vicinity of the highway from Neuville to La Folie, we continued to reoccupy the listening posts and craters in which the enemy had obtained a footing. We found there numerous dead bodies and one machine gun. We also took several prisoners.

"In the Argonne district we caused the explosion of two mines near Haute Chevauchee and another in the vicinity of Vauquois."

Artillery Active

The following official communication was issued tonight:

"During the course of the day there was considerable activity by our artillery on the whole front. In Belgium a concentrated fire directed against the German trenches situated in front of Boesinghe and between Steenstraete and Het Sas caused serious damage to our adversary.

"In Artois, to the east of Neuville, the enemy attempted by a counter-attack to retake the craters from which we drove him in the course of the night, but was compelled to retire. To the north of the Aisne our trench guns shattered the organizations at La Valle au Bois.

"In the Argonne, mine fighting continued to our advantage. Between Hill 285 and Haute Chevauche we exploded two mines. The enemy suffered serious losses in the struggle which followed for the craters, one of the rims of which we hold.

"One of our long range guns took under its fire an enemy convoy which had entered Mangiennes, to the northwest of Etaine."

German Report

BERLIN, via Wireless to Sayville, Jan. 27.—The German attack on French positions near Neuville was resumed yesterday, and according to the War Office statement today between 500 and 600 yards of the French lines were captured. The statement follows:

"Western front—The enemy's artillery shelled German positions on the sand dunes along the sea coast. At the same time hostile monitors shelled the Westende, Belgium, district. Both attacks were without effect.

"After exploding mines the Germans made an attack on both sides of the road between Vimy and Neuville and stormed French positions between 500 and 600 yards long. They captured one officer, 52 men, one machine gun and three mine throwers. Counter-attacks made by the enemy against these positions and other trenches taken by the Germans during the last few days, resulted in spirited fighting with hand grenades, but were without success for the enemy.

"The city of Lens was shelled heavily by the enemy.

"Eastern front—Small detachments of Germans and Austrians from the army of Gen. von Linsingen engaged in successful enterprises."

AUSTRIAN REPORT

Majority of Montenegrin Troops Said to Have Been Disarmed and Country Described as Quiet

BERLIN (via wireless), Jan. 27.—The Austrian communication as received here today says:

"January 26, all parts of Montenegro were quiet, as also was the Scutari district. A majority of the Montenegrin troops have disarmed. The population is entirely friendly.

"On the Italian front there is a slackening in the activity. Near Oslavia fifty deserters arrived in the Austro-Hungarian lines."

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Colonist, January 29, 1866)

The Brown Jug—The lease of this well known establishment, situated at the corner of Government and Fort Streets, with the goodwill, stock and fixtures, is this morning offered for sale for a term of one or five years, the proprietor being compelled to leave for England by the first steamer in February. Of all business sites in the city the Brown Jug is acknowledged to occupy the most commanding, standing as it does at the corner of the two new principal streets in the city, and this fact alone will ensure to the purchaser one of the safest business investments that could be found in town.

Sloop Supposed to Be Lost—The sloop [illegible], Capt. Allatt, from Comox, left Nanaimo January 11 for Victoria, with some freight, and it is supposed some passengers. She was seen before the last severe storm in Cadboro Bay, and has not been heard from since. Possibly she is the sloop reported to have been lost off Albert Head.

Industrious Legislators—The House of Assembly sat yesterday from 1 o'clock until nearly 5:30 in order to get through with the estimates. During this [illegible] sitting the members were regaled by a liberal supply of refreshments furnished by an honorable member for the city, and it was entertaining to see after several bottles of wine had been disposed of how loquacious and eager for debate some members became.

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AMERICAN PACKERS' CASES

Attorneys Urion and Anderson Returning Without Having Effected Settlement

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Alfred R. Urion and Chandler Anderson, who came here three weeks ago to confer with representatives of the British Government on the long pending packers' cases, have booked passage back to New York on the Nieuw Amsterdam, which will sail from Falmouth on February 7. Although it was expected a week ago that the packers' attorneys would be able to come to a quick agreement with the British authorities, the negotiations have not progressed any further, and they may have to return without a definite agreement.

When the attorneys arrived here no hitch was expected in arriving at a basis of settlement of the packers' claims, which involve cargoes valued at $20,000,000. In fact, it is stated they understood from Ambassador Spring-Rice before they left Washington that the British Government was ready to make a speedy disposal of the case that had been full of so many tangles.

Neither Mr. Urion nor Mr. Anderson will discuss the situation except to admit that they have booked passage. Just what difficulty has been encountered in arriving at an agreement has not been made clear, but it is believed to bear upon the figure the British Government offers for the seized cargoes, which the packers hold is below the actual value.

Mr. Gompers' Birthday

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 27.—More than 50,000 San Francisco trades unionists today joined in the nationwide observance of the day as the 63rd birthday of their leader, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, by devoting one hour of their time to the cause of the Danbury hatters. More than $25,000 will be this city's contribution, it was announced by John A. O'Connell, secretary of the local Labor Council.

Bank of Nova Scotia

HALIFAX, Jan. 27.—At the annual meeting of the Bank of Nova Scotia, held here this morning, the sum of $35,000 was voted to the Canadian Patriotic Fund. John Y. Payzant was re-elected president, and Charles Archibald vice-president.

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General Townshend reports that the Turks have evacuated their trenches on the land side and retired about a mile from the British entrenchments. A Russian force operating in Persia is advancing southeastwards from Hamadan with a view to effecting a junction with the British.

UNITED STATES DEFENCE PLANS

President Wilson Opens His Campaign on Behalf of Preparedness With Two Speeches in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—President Wilson tonight opened his personal appeal to the country for national defence. He gave warning that plans for the readjustment of the army must be formulated and carried out without delay, and solemnly declared that he could not predict that the outlook for the United States would be as bright tomorrow as today. Speaking at banquets of the Railway Business Association and the Motion Picture Board of Trade, he sounded the keynote of the addresses that he will deliver during the next ten days in the Middle West.

Mr. Wilson was in a fighting mood throughout his address. In a speech delivered early in the day he declared he always accepted an invitation to fight. Tonight he told the railway men he was an advocate of peace, and had struggled to keep the United States at peace, but he considered the liberty and honor of the nation even more important than peace.

Country Expects Action

"Woe to any man who plays marplot, or who seeks to make party politics or personal ambition take precedence over candor, honor and unselfish, unpartisan service," said the President, in speaking of his defence plan before the railway men. He declared that the country expects action; this is a year of accounting, and the accounting must be definite on the part of the parties and on the part of every individual who wishes to enjoy the public confidence.

"For my part, I hope every man in public life will get what is 'coming to him,'" said Mr. Wilson, amid laughter and applause.

The President, at both banquets and all during his day's visit to New York, was greeted with enthusiasm. On his ride between the hotels where the banquets were held tonight, he was escorted by a band and the ninth company of coast artillery of the New York National Guard. Thousands of persons packed the streets and cheered as he passed.

During his speech before nearly 1,500 business men at the railway banquet, where he cast aside almost entirely the text of address that he had previously prepared for delivery there, he was frequently interrupted by applause. The President admitted that in a message to the last Congress he had said the need for preparedness was not pressing. He declared that he had learned differently in the meantime. He cited his recent support of a tariff commission as another instance of a change on his part, having declared previously that there was no need for such a commission.

Mr. Wilson spoke of men of high character who were clouding the preparedness issue. He declared they were provincial, and that the United States could not longer cut itself off from the rest of the world.

The President vigorously defended his Mexican policy. He asserted that to invade Mexico would mean the losing of confidence of the rest of the Western Hemisphere. He cited the freeing of Cuba as an instance of the good done by the United States.

"If we are drawn into the maelstrom which now surges in Europe," the President declared, "We should not be permitted to do the high things we would prefer."

Half Million Trained Men

The President defended the continental army plan drawn up by Secretary Garrison, and said he did not care about the details of any plan as long as 500,000 trained men were provided as reserves under the Federal Government. He advocated strengthening the National Guard, but said the constitution put the Guard under the state. He added that the United States will not turn in the direction of militarism.

Outlining why the United States prepare, Mr. Wilson said:

"We must prepare to defend our rights as a nation and the rights of our citizens in America and outside of it as the consensus of civilized peoples has defined them; must ensure the unembarrassed realization of our personal development within our own borders, and must protect the peace and political autonomy of the Americas."

Industrial preparedness, with the military training of students in industrial schools, was proposed by the President. He left navy plans for later addresses.

Business men, who formerly relied on protective measures in their dealings with foreign powers, were criticized by Mr. Wilson. He said American business men should be able to hold their own against the world.

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CANADIAN CASUALTIES

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—The names of four men are posted as dead, nine wounded, three seriously ill, and one man suffering from shock in a casualty list issued at midnight last night.

Besides these, Pte. Harry A. Tattrie, of Toronto, 7th Battalion, previously reported dead of wounds, is now officially reported wounded and missing since April 24, and a Cape Breton private in the 25th Battalion is reported wounded in error.

The list follows:

7th Battalion
(Previously Reported Died of Wounds, Now Officially Reported Wounded and Missing)
Pte. H. A. Tattrie, Toronto.

8th Battalion
(Wounded)
Lce.-Cpl. W. H. Loxley, England.

15th Battalion
(Wounded)
Pte. M. Callaghan, England.
(Seriously Ill)
Pte. N. A. Smith, Armstrong, B. C.

16th Battalion
(Killed in Action)
Pte. J. A. McEnney, Rochester, N.Y.
(Seriously Ill)
Pte. E. J. Bennett, England.

21st Battalion
(Wounded)
Pte. Fred Balsdon, Lakefield, Ont.

25th Battalion
(Killed in Action)
Pte. G. W. Membrey, Port Hawkesbury, N. S.
(Reported Wounded in Error)
Pte. Kenneth Morrison, West Loch Lomond, C. B.

27th Battalion
(Died of Wounds)
Pte. Wm. Clark, Keewatin, Ont.
(Suffering From Shock)
Pte. W. H. Kirkwood, Ireland.
(Wounded)
Pte. A. J. McRae, Ireland.

42nd Battalion
(Wounded)
Pte. J. Millar Weymouth, Mass.

49th Battalion
(Seriously Wounded)
Pte. A. Meekins, Lower Five Island, N. S.

Royal Canadian Regiment
(Slightly Wounded)
Pte. Ralph Mills, Montreal.

No. 1 Field Co., Canadian Engineers
(Seriously Ill)
Sapper R. Webster, Scotland.

No. 1 Can. Auto. Machine Gun Brigade
(Wounded and Shell Shock)
Capt. Jas. E. Browne, Ottawa, Ont.

Borden's Armored Battery
(Killed in Action)
Pte. J. A. Brennan, Eardley, Que.

FAIL TO RETURN

Four Men Attempting to Rescue Castaways at Cook Inlet Are Supposed to Be Lost

SEWARD, Alaska, Jan. 27.—Four men, who crossed the channel to Fire Island on Tuesday to rescue the castaways marooned there by the Cook Inlet icefield, became lost in the fog while attempting to return to the Mainland, and it is feared that they were lost, according to word received here today from the rescue party camping at Campbell Point.

Watchers on the shore saw the men reach the island safely and go ashore to search for the castaways. After a time they returned to their dory alone and started back through the ice floes to the Mainland. They had rowed only a short distance when a heavy fog swept down on the channel and the men were lost to view. When the fog lifted several hours later no trace of the dory or its crew was to be seen.

Kaiser's Birthday

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—Flags were out everywhere in Berlin today in celebration of the 57th birthday of Emperor William. The only formal observance consisted of religious services.

SEEKS ENTENTE WITH AMERICA

M. Pichon, Former Foreign Minister of France, Thinks His Country and United States Should Stand Closer.

PARIS, Jan. 27.—Stephen Pichon, ex-Foreign Minister, who has just returned from Italy, yesterday gave a correspondent an authoritative expression of the opinion of the group which is working for a Franco-American entente. When I congratulated him on the success of his Italian trip, he replied:

"For thirty-five years I have been working for Franco-Italian co-operation. I have just seen the full realization of my work. The assemblage at the Milan theatre represented every shade of Italian political opinion, and all were enthusiastically in unison with France. Yet the plan for a Franco-Italian entente presented far greater difficulties than that for the Franco-American.

"At times, on account of Italy's connection with the Central Empires, the prospect was very doubtful, but in the case of America, it is just the reverse. Throughout the history of the two republics they have always been animated by the friendliest feeling, and the present war has greatly increased their sympathy. All that is necessary is to set in motion that vast force of friendship. It should be the work of the press to rouse into active life the store of potential energy. I intend to devote the Petit Journal to the work of impressing on France how vastly important and valuable is American sympathy. As a moral support alone, its importance is incalculable.

"America hardly needs rousing; she has already given sufficient proofs of the universality of her feeling toward France.

"If the matter concerned America only and France, I should say there was no obstacle to a speedy, moral, economic, financial and diplomatic rapprochement, or even co-operation. But the position of France as the ally of Great Britain complicates and adds to the delicacy of the question. Yet, even there, just as England acted and still acts as a link and mediator between France and Italy, so France may neutralize or prevent causes of disagreement between America and Great Britain.

"The time has come for a better and more thorough understanding between the United States and the Quadruple Entente. Civilization has changed America's geographical situation. The Atlantic is no longer an insuperable barrier; the policy of splendid isolation has become an anachronism.

"We are not working to rush America into entangling alliances. We do not even propose a definite agreement, but we hope to utilize the old-established friendship and community of ideals and interests as a foundation for an edifice of mutual comprehension and mutual furtherance of world civilization. America will have a special priviliged position at the end of the war and may even have been instrumental in bringing about that end. Surely it is logical that free, progressive, idealistic America should take her stand, in heart and spirit, if not as an ally, beside the Quadruple Entente, which is fighting to make war impossible, to free Europe and mankind from the reactionary rule of militarist tyranny."

PATRIOTIC FUND

Campaign for Contributions in Eastern Cities Producing Good Results—Mr. J. P. Morgan's Donation

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—One of the most interesting announcements made in connection with the five-day campaign to raise $1,500,000 for the Patriotic Fund in Montreal came today at the noon luncheon for the workers, when it was reported that J. Pierpont Morgan, of New York, had contributed $20,000 to the fund. Mr. Morgan's contribution was secured through the efforts of W. W. Price, of the brokerage firm of E. and C. Randolph & Co., New York. Lord Shaughnessy was among the contributors yesterday, with $5,000. Reports today indicate that the grand total to date is about $1,200,000. The campaign is to close tomorrow night.

TORONTO, Jan. 27.—The Toronto and York Patriotic Fund, in the three days' campaign to raise two million dollars, last night reached a point within half a million of the required amount. Subscriptions reported total $1,137,162, and recorded subscriptions received after the hour of announcement amounted to $121,208.

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—A total of $262,600 had been secured at the end of the second day of Ottawa's three-day campaign to raise $400,000 for the Patriotic Fund.

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WEEK'S BANK CLEARINGS

Some Eastern Cities Show Increases and Others Decrease in Comparison With Last Year

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—The bank clearings here during the week ending today were $55,422,025. In the corresponding week in 1914 they were $42,-824,290.

TORONTO, Jan. 27.—The bank clearings here for the week ending today were $40,741,872, as compared with $44,855,824 for the corresponding week last year and $80,299,272 for the corresponding week of 1914.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 27.—Bank clearings here for the week ending today were $32,790,210, as compared with $22,484,-981 in the corresponding week of last year, and $31,816,967 in 1914.

QUEBEC, Jan. 27.—The bank clearings for the week ending today were $3,166,154; for the corresponding week last year, $2,343,923.

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—The bank clearings for the week ending today were $4,137,242; for the corresponding week last year, $2,968,442.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 27.—The bank clearings for the week ending today were $1,926,186; for the corresponding week last year, $1,638,632.

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Japan and China

PEKING, Jan. 27.—Eki Hioki, Japanese Minister to China, and Lu Cheng Hsiang, the Chinese Foreign Minister, today both denied the report printed by The Manchester Guardian that the Japanese Government had revived "group five" of the original Japanese demands made upon China early last year, but which group was not included in the final treaty.

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CONSERVATIVES HEAR MINISTERS

Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt Is Formally Tendered Nomination to Victoria Seat—Officers Elected at Annual Meeting.

What was voted by all who had the pleasure of hearing it to be one of the finest addresses ever delivered on a political platform was that of the Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, Minister of Finance, at the annual meeting of the Conservative Association held in the ballroom of the Alexandra Club last evening before an audience which filled every seat in the great auditorium. He expressed his thanks at the many warm expressions of friendship and pledges of support which had been tendered him by speakers who had moved that he be formally tendered the nomination for the seat vacated in Victoria by the retirement of Sir Richard McBride.

Mr. Flumerfelt, in the course of his speech, dealt with some of the points of interest leading up to his acceptance of the portfolio of finance. He said he had been a resident of Victoria for nearly thirty years, had always taken a keen and continuing interest in every movement having for its object the furtherance of the general interest of the country, and particularly the interests of Victoria. It was perhaps rather unfortunate, in his opinion, that for some twelve or fourteen years his attention and time had been occupied with undertakings not particularly connected with the Island of Vancouver; nevertheless, his enthusiasm in respect to all this city's advantages had never in the slightest degree diminished. Continuing, he said:

"It is scarcely necessary for me to say that I have never been ambitious politically, and on three different occasions I declined to take advantage of political opportunity, and I also declined to allow my friends to press for a very important position which they were determined I should accept, in connection with the Federal Government.

"Notwithstanding all this, I gave such information as was possible and offered suggestions, some of which may have been of value to the Government. When the Premier approached me in respect of the portfolio of Finance, we discussed the general conditions of the Province, of Canada, and of the Empire, and after a lengthy talk, my conclusion was that I could not accept the proffered honor, and therefore I declined. At his request, however, I promised to reconsider, and upon mature reflection I concluded that possibly my experience, association and knowledge might be of some considerable service to the Province under existing conditions, and I very reluctantly gave my consent to join the administration.

"I think it only right to say, just here, that Mr. Bowser did not ask or even suggest that I should make a single pledge, and I stand before you, the representatives of the Conservatives of this constituency, absolutely untrammelled and unpledged, and I tender to you the best judgment, greatest industry and accumulated experience of some forty years in business, in the hope that I shall be able to do my share toward the unbuilding of the industries of the Province, and so long as Providence may spare me and the constituents desire my services, I place myself unreservedly at the disposal of the country.

"From what I have said it may appear that I am indifferent to the position, but such is not the case, and I desire to state most distinctly and with all the emphasis and force of my being, that, having accepted this position, I am now in politics for the balance of my natural life, and I propose to fight in the ranks and help to win the battle for the great Conservative party, so long as I can feel, as I now do, that it has for its object the upbuilding of the Province and the general development of its natural resources.

"My habit of life has always been that once I am committed to any cause I never lose interest nor cease effort so long as the cause requires or desires my assistance; therefore, gentlemen, do not for one moment suppose I do not appreciate the honor that has been done me, or the great—almost boundless—opportunity that has been placed within my reach for service to Victoria, the Province, to the Dominion, and to the Empire.

Criticism of Government

"Critics of the Government are constantly alleging all sorts of wrongdoing, bad business and general looseness of method. It may be stated that no Government—so long as the human element is a factor—can be perfectly conducted, any more than any commercial or financial institution, however skilfully managed, can avoid occasional errors. No doubt errors have been made, and I am frank to say that I expect errors will be committed in the future by any administration of whatever complexion. Fair and reasonable criticism is always productive of good, and whether my term of office be long or short, I shall welcome any reasonable questioning of any act of mine.

"I have had the pleasure of speaking before some of the annual meetings of the wards, and have taken occasion to refer shortly to the general financial condition, expressing my views on some phases of it as affecting Canada, and the necessity for the development of industries, and also touching upon the possibility of developing in some proper and businesslike way—a merchant marine in the Pacific. I shall hope during the coming months to have further opportunity of dealing with these matters in detail and giving some definite figures in respect of these questions, which I think can be so presented as to be beneficial, or at least interesting.

Railway Policy

"The late Government has been severely attacked on the question of its railway policy. Perhaps in the light of today, the general plan was too ambitious and possibly in advance of the requirements, but all nations that have become great have realized the paramount importance of easy means of communication. If you will go back to the history of the Roman Empire, one clearly sees that even in those days roads and bridges were considered as of first importance. If one takes England as an example—which I am sure no one would doubt we could do better than to follow—we find waterways, roads and railroads really a network, and it is possible to get from place to place with the greatest ease and dispatch.

"Then, too, one of the great considerations, in fact the major factor, in bringing this great Dominion together in our Confederation, was the undertaking on the part of the Federal Government to unite the various provinces by means of rail communication. Therefore it would appear that we can leave no more valuable legacy to our children than these great transcontinental lines, whose far-reaching importance not only to Canada but to the Empire cannot be overestimated.

"As you all know, the C.P.R. was completed in the Winter (November, 1885,) and on the 28th of June, 1886, the line was opened for traffic from Montreal to Port Moody. Modern railway expansion in the West really dates from 1897. In December, 1896, 126 miles of the Canadian Northern system was in operation. In 1898 the Greenway administration enacted legislation which created the Canadian Northern as a transcontinental route. Since that date the passenger business has more than doubled and the freight traffic has more than trebled.

Northwest Problems

"The whole railway problem may be summed up in the one word WHEAT. Eighty per cent of the Canadian land area, 25 per cent of her population, and about 50 per cent of the railway mileage are to be found in the provinces west of the Great Lakes. In addition, there are several thousand miles of railway under construction and being completed. A large influx of population, attracted by the lure of the Western wheat lands, outran the railway and the settler in the Peace River country in 1912 was 260 miles from a railway; in 1910 he was 400, and he now has the railway at his door. The railway pushes on to reach the settler, and every mile of track increases the difficulty of handling the output of his land to the ports at head of the Great Lakes. Years ago Sir William Van Horne stated that the defect in Western railway development of Canada had been that it enlarged the hopper without enlarging the spout. His words are much more relevant today than when uttered. The 'spout' east of Winnipeg has been widened and that widening process continues, but the inadequacy of this outlet has more than once fully shown that the grain of the Northwest cannot, in my opinion, find its way to the Atlantic seaboard by railways alone. The main reliance of the grain movement has largely been by way of lake vessels, but as the grain district has opened up the long haul lessens the effective period of the Great Lakes. Between the closing and opening of navigation, the railways can only handle as much grain as is handled in comparatively few days by the lake boats during the navigation season. For illustration, 4,000,000 bushels were transferred into vessels at Port William and Port Arthur in one day last November, consequently as the network of railways extends further and further west the producer must look for some new spouts, and the grain of the Peace River country, and a very large percentage of Saskatchewan and Alberta, must of necessity move west toward the Pacific.

"There are many other products, such as cattle, hogs, oats, flax, etc., to be considered, but I am now dealing only with wheat. In order to impress and give emphasis to my statements, I have taken the trouble to make some calculations. The wheat production in the three Prairie Provinces for 1915 aggregated 400,000,000 bushels. An ordinary freight car will carry 1,200 bushels, therefore it would take 333,333 cars to move this quantity of wheat. Calculating 25 cars to a train, each carrying 1,200 bushels, would take 13,333 trains. Assuming that each train would pass a given point every ten minutes, this would equal 6 trains an hour and 144 trains per day of 24 hours without any break. If 144 trains, passing a given point every 10 minutes, it would take 93.2 days of 24 hours each, or three months of a continuous stream of cars in one direction, each car containing 1,200 bushels of wheat, to handle the crop of the Northwest this last season.

Creating New Lands

"The development and completion of railways within the Province of British Columbia have literally created millions of acres of new lands by bringing the same within reach of the markets—lands that will support millions of people against possibly dozens who live upon them today. How such great works can be carried on demands constructive thought, not merely on the engineering side, but—what is more important—on the financial side, as to ways and means by which these lands shall be made to bear—in some degree at least—such expenditures, and it appears that there was no reasonable expectation or even remote possibility whereby these great undertakings could have been advanced without the aid of the credit of the Government.

"Permanent improvements which the people undertake are a legitimate charge against capital account and not against maintenance; in other words, in my opinion, such expenditures—which are in the meantime non-productive—should be considered as capital outlay, and the expense of such should be borne not only by the present but by the future population of incoming peoples.

"It will be my aim in future to so direct the finances as to have regular current expenses provided from current revenue, and where capital expenditures may be necessary in the future only such aid shall be afforded to fixed, permanent investments as will give promise of providing at least the interest charges against them. And further, where expenditures are necessary for the development of the country—such as roads, etc.—there should be shown in the balance sheet—when such investments have been made—the amounts so expended as an offsetting asset, which is not the case in the Provincial bookkeeping of today.

"I shall hope later to have opportunity of developing this thought, and think I shall be able to demonstrate and present a complete justification of the policy that brought into existence the Grand Trunk Pacific, the Canadian Northern Pacific and the Pacific Great Eastern Railways within the boundaries of British Columbia."

The attendance, besides being very large was very representative. On the platform, with President Hayward, were: The Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, the Hon. W. R. Ross, the Hon. Thos. Taylor, the Hon. Lorne Campbell, Mr. A. D. Burgess, Mr. H. F. W. Behnsen, M. P. P., Mr. H. B. Thomson, M. P. P., Major A. G. Sargison, Mr R. H. Pooley, M.P.P., and Mr. W. H. Price, retiring secretary. On the meeting being called to order, President Hayward read the president's annual address. During the reading of the secretary's and treasurer's reports, which were adopted, Hon. Messrs. Flumerfelt and Campbell entered the room, and they were tendered an ovation, the entire audience rising and singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Election of Officers

The next business was the election of officers. This resulted in the re-election by acclamation of Mr. Hayward as president, and Mr. R. H. Powell as honorary treasurer. When nominations for the post of secretary were called for the name of Mr. James Huxtable was put forward amidst great enthusiasm. A delegate then proposed the name of Mr. W. H. Price, but that gentleman asked the chairman to read a letter, dated December 28, in which he had intimated a desire to retire, and this decision he would adhere to. The election of Mr. Huxtable was then made unanimous.

Mr. Price had rendered such great service to the party in the post which he was just vacating that those present were determined to pay him a tribute, and this they did, a number of members eulogizing his services and making the most complimentary references to his career. On motion of Mr. H. W. R. Moore, seconded by Mr. George Coldwell, a very hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Price for his past services.

In acknowledging the vote of thanks Mr. Price expressed the hope that the same loyal assistance in the interests of the party would be given his successor in office that had been given him. He, for a few moments, dwelt upon some of the onerous duties which fell to the lot of a secretary, and related some of his experiences in this connection during the past twenty years.

Next on the order of business was an amendment to the constitution which provided for the offices of vice-chairman and assistant secretary at the various ward organizations.

At this stage Mr. Flumerfelt, on motion of Mr. W. Moresby, was formally tendered the nomination for the constituency of Victoria in the interests of the Conservative party for the seat rendered vacant by the retirement of Sir Richard McBride. Mr. Moresby said that in all his experience in political life in this Province, he never knew an instance where a man who aspired to a seat in the Legislature was more fitted for the honor which was about to be bestowed upon him by the citizen-electors of Victoria. He was a man who would ably represent the city in the Legislature and fill the post of Finance Minister with credit to himself and benefit to the Province.

The following resolution was then moved by Mr. R. W. Perry and seconded by Mr. John Day:

"That this meeting congratulates the Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt on his selection for the important office of Minister of Finance of the Province, that his unique experience in financial affairs and his marked success as a "Captain of Industry" specially fit him for the position, and pledges itself to leave no stone unturned to ensure his return at the polls by an overwhelming majority."

Mr. Wm. Blakemore, seconded by Ex-Alderman Sargent, moved the following resolution:

"That this meeting views with satisfaction the accession of the Hon. W. J. Bowser to the leadership of the party and the Premiership of British Columbia. His brilliant record, his conduct of the affairs of his own department, and the important legislative acts with which he has been specially identified have constituted him the natural and logical head of the party at the present time, and this meeting assures him of its hearty and loyal support."

Urges Loyal Support

Speaking to the resolution, Mr. Blakemore pointed out that however great their regret must be at the loss of so distinguished a leader as Sir Richard McBride, men came and went, but the Conservative party would go on forever. They must take their stand on the same old platform as before, and he believed that fate had been kind in having one available for the leadership who was so well able to take the place vacated by Sir Richard McBride. Mr. Bowser had already won his spurs. He had been subjected to much criticism, but no one had ever said anything reflecting on his integrity. He was sure that the opponents of the Government would get to fear Mr. Bowser as heartily as they had Sir Richard; at any rate, it was for the Conservatives to reconsecrate themselves to the loyal support of the new leader. They would soon take up the challenge hurled at them by the Liberals, that the Province was heartily sick of the Conservative party, and the sooner the better.

Mr. Sargent declared Mr. Bowser to be the natural successor of Sir Richard for the leadership. The Premier's manifesto contained, he felt confident, the basis for a successful programme for the conduct of the public affairs of this Province.

The resolution was passed unanimously amidst a scene of enthusiasm.

The Hon. Thomas Taylor thought the splendid meeting augured well for the success of the party when the next contest came on. Though representing an outside constituency, he had been fortunate in meeting many warm friends of Sir Richard McBride in Victoria, and he was satisfied that Mr. Bowser would receive the same measure of hearty support.

Mr. Taylor, in a very interesting speech, dealt with the financial position of the Province, quoting figures which showed that the country was in an essentially sound position.

Ald. Dilworth, seconded by Mr. Thomson, moved a hearty vote of thanks to the officers of the association, both retiring and newly elected. This was carried unanimously.

Mr. Ross was the last speaker of the evening. He began by reading a letter which he had just received from Premier Bowser. This as to the effect that he had been ill in bed for a day or two with a cold, but he was up and about again, and feeling in the best of spirits. This news was hailed with cheers.

Continuing, Mr. Ross delivered a very encouraging address as to the position of the Conservative party in this Province at the present time. The one outstanding feature of the various policies of the party had been honesty of purpose. The present Government would appeal to the country on the basis of offering a business administration, the covenant to do which was contained in the able manifesto issued by Premier Bowser.

During the course of the evening other resolutions were passed as follows:

Moved by Mr. Harold Robertson and seconded by Mr. Jas. Forman—"That this meeting expresses its unbounded confidence in the leadership of Sir R. L. Borden, and particularly during the present crisis in national and imperial affairs, and the prompt mobilization of the Canadian Forces, and that it fully realises the good fortune of the country in having such a man at the head of affairs, and pledges him its loyal support in any policies which he may deem necessary to ensure Canada's full contribution to the cause of Empire, and the attainment of Victory."

Moved by Mr. Geo. Coldwell and seconded by Dr. W. E. Home—"That this meeting desires to express profound regret at the removal of Sir Richard McBride to London, and to record its sense of the invaluable service which he rendered to the party and the Province for so many years. It expresses confidence that the important policies which he initiated will in their development and fruition tend to the permanent prosperity of British Columbia. His power of swift decision and his fearlessness of responsibility were never more in evidence than when, in the few days available before the war, he purchased the submarines for the Dominion and saved the people of Victoria and Vancouver from ruin and the cities from destruction."

The proceedings terminated with the singing of the National Anthem.

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HARVESTERS FROM SOUTH

Senator James H. Ross Thinks Supply From States Will Be Needed for Next Season's Crop

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—Hon. James H. Ross, former minister of public works and treasurer of the old Northwest Territories, later on Governor of the Yukon and member of the House of Commons from that territory, and since 1904 a Senator, has just returned from his old stamping-ground. He went to the Red River in 1874, his father being in the lumber business.

Regarding the gathering of the crops in the West next Fall, he said that formerly many thousands from the East went there and helped gather the crops, but the war will prevent such happening this year, and the Senator says that laborers will have to be secured from the South. This, he thinks, can be done, as the harvest in the Northwestern States is earlier than in Western Canada. But the Government would have to see that these harvesters are reassured against the statements made by German-Americans to the effect that if the United States citizens come over here they will be obliged to enlist, and instead of helping the Canadians get in their crops will be sent off to France and Flanders.

Pleading for Gribble

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.—President Watters, Secretary Draper and other representatives of the Trades and Labor Congress, waited on the Prime Minister yesterday to urge the release from prison of Wilfrid Gribble, the St. John Socialist who referred to kings as "puppets" and received two months in prison for seditious utterances. The deputation claimed that Gribble had been treated with undue harshness, and that other men, like Lavergne and Bourassa, who had said far worse things, were still allowed their liberty. The Premier promised that the matter would be at once taken up with the Justice Department, and that in all probability Gribble would be speedily set at liberty.

Earth Shocks in Hungary

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Dispatches received here from Budapest report several earth shocks in Transylvania. Schassburg, Kronstadt and a half dozen other districts report slight damage. At Schassburg the earthquake began at 6:30 in the morning. Several chimneys collapsed and the population fled outside the town. There were no casualties.

Cabinet Crisis in Holland

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 27.—According to The Hetvolk, a Cabinet crisis is threatened owing to a disagreement between the Government party in the second chamber and the Cabinet over the question of old age pensions. Dr. Treub, Minister of Finance, the newspaper says, requested that the matter be postponed until the taxation bill was settled, but a majority of the members of the Government party are opposed to complying with the request.

CANADIANS KEEP ENEMY IN FEAR

Active in Devising New Schemes for Making Them Uncomfortable—Schools for Training Bomb Experts.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—H. M. Thompson, correspondent at British headquarters for a London morning paper, in a long dispatch published this morning, makes the following references to the Canadian army:

"Nowhere does one find such punctiliousness on duty as in the Canadian lines. The man who owns a ranch salutes his junior or superior with even elaborate emphasis. But there is allowed a freedom of individual expression, nevertheless, which has proved so fruitful that the story of one exploit of Canadians has been circulated in the French army by General Joffre as revealing a manner in which to deal with the Prussians. But it cannot be told here.

"The ideal of the Canadians generally is to get the men opposite them into such a state of mind that when our scouts openly insult them they dare not even lift their heads, and are afraid to retaliate, lest worse things happen.

"The habit of self-dependence in adversity as practiced in that young country is proving a great help to the Canadians. Their commanders know how to exploit it to the common good.

"When a bomb expert was required some time since—a man who could devise the means of delivering the right explosive exactly where the enemy was not expecting—this job was given to a young man who knew nothing about bombs, but who had astonished the overseas community on several occasions with his scoops as a journalist. The new expert proved no less cunning than the commander who thought of him as a likely candidate. He has since developed into a general authority on bombs.

"The Canadians, intent on worrying the enemy, have established schools where, when not at listening posts or taking part in expeditions and getting 'trench feet' the men assemble to listen to lectures on better methods of getting their work done.

"Standing in a sea of mire, there was an old barn full of officers and non-commissioned officers, with fodder stowed over their heads on rafters. And yesterday, smoking their pipes, they sat listening with me to a young major who had been thinking out a new warlike device and wished to communicate his idea. After the lecture the men were paraded in two squads, both shouted at alike, and they marched as lightly and tenaciously as need to the nullies would let them, to get facility in some other dodge of war, as though they were in team training for Olympic games."

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THE CONSERVATIVE MEETING

The marked success which attended the proceedings at last night's annual meeting of the Victoria Conservative Association is at once a happy augury for the party's success in this constituency when next an appeal is made to the electorate and a revelation of the intrinsic strength of the Conservative cause in this Province. Repeatedly we have been told by the opponents of the Government that the people are tired of Conservative rule, that they yearn for an opportunity to turn from that party to Liberalism. Perhaps our friends of the opposition have some evidence in support of this contention which they have not yet disclosed, but when we turn to an examination of the condition of affairs which prevails within the ranks of the Conservative party in this Province we fail to find anything which suggests the truth of their pronostigation.

The officers of the Association, chosen at last night's meeting, are gentlemen who command the respect and esteem of the community, and in their strong personnel they furnish the best guarantee that the tactics employed by the Conservative party in the approaching contests in this riding shall be free from those devices which, whenever employed, have always had the effect of bringing the political organization using them into disrepute. We very heartily congratulate the Victoria Conservative Association on its choice of officers for the ensuing year.

The speeches last night were excellent in tenor as well as in their healthy and sane optimism. Chief interest locally centered in the address of Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt, which was a really fine effort. Those present left the meeting more than ever convinced that Mr. Bowser was particularly fortunate in his choice of a new Minister of Finance. It rarely falls to the lot of a Premier in selecting material for his cabinet to be able to summon to his counsels gentlemen so well qualified to discharge the duties allotted to them, as has been the case in the recent instance in this Province. Mr. Campbell, as Minister of Mines, brings to his office the experience gained in a long service in the heart of one of the chief mining sections of the Province. Mr. Tisdall, as Minister of Public Works, will be no novice in dealing with the large appropriations emanating from that department, for he has proved his worth as a business man in the chief business centre of the Province. Mr. Flumerfelt, in whose political fortunes Victoria has the more special interest, as Minister of Finance, is extremely well-equipped for that office, judged by any test, and will be able to discharge the duties with credit to himself and satisfaction to the country.

If prior to Mr. Bowser making a choice for the portfolio of finance, an opinion had been asked as to the sort of man who would make the ideal Minister in this capacity, the answer would probably have been: He must first of all be a man who is versed in finance, one experienced in business matters of some magnitude; of strict integrity, of unblemished reputation, and of wide vision. Such no doubt, would be the description offered about one upon whom Mr. Bowser's choice should fall. Does Mr. Flumerfelt meet the requirements we have suggested? We think it will be the unanimous verdict of the business men of Victoria, to go no further, that he does; and it is with very great pleasure that we are able to state that a number of the prominent Liberals of Victoria have recently conveyed to Mr. Flumerfelt an intimation that they will be glad to support him at the polls. As for ourselves, we have no doubt about the outcome of the by-election in Victoria, should the opponents of the Government insist upon a contest. Victoria is not disposed to make any experiments, especially when it has before it the certainty that its interests are in the hands of one so competent to look after them, as well as the interests of the Province as a whole.

THE WAR

This is the 552nd day of the war.

The great German offensive which the Associated Press correspondents have been leading us to expect has not yet materialized. We have great doubt if it ever will, because the cost of such a movement and the almost certain failure that would await it are too much for the German authorities to face at this period in the war. At an earlier stage thousands of men could be sent forth to certain death, and public opinion at home would not speak in condemnation; but with casualty lists approximating, if they do not exceed, 4,000,000, we do not believe the German people would accept further useless sacrifices. While we may have only

life without any results of value being obtained. The German movement in the West has failed of its object, and no one knows this better than the Kaiser. He will hold his present position as long as he is able, not because he expects to make any gains, but because the occupation of most of Belgium and a part of Northern France will, he thinks, be very useful when the time comes to talk of peace.

The Turks have been making claim to some successes over the British. There has been no confirmation of these reports, which may be intended to offset the very serious results of the Russian advance in the vicinity of Erzerum.

Apparently the condition of the Emperor Franz Josef is becoming very critical. We see no reason for expecting that his death would be followed by any political changes of importance, although before the war there was a very general opinion that his death would be the signal for the dissolution of the Dual Monarchy. His successor is a man devoted to the Kaiser, and it may be that the Magyar nobility will not view with any satisfaction the passage of the crown of Hungary to a ruler who will make his nation a mere tool in the hands of the Hohenzollerns.

MAJOR-GENERAL HUGHES

The dispatches say that when Sir Sam Hughes spoke in the House of Commons in defence of his administration of his important office, he met with a very cordial reception from political opponents and friends, and there was an absence of that running fire of criticism, which has on former occasions accompanied his parliamentary utterances. Sir Sam is not a gentleman who normally disarms criticism. He usually hits out straight from the shoulder and expects counter blows. The reception which was accorded to him in the House is so different from what he has usually met that it is worth while endeavoring to discover the explanation of it. We think it must be sought in the undoubted success that has attended his efforts to see that Canada should do her duty in this great crisis. There never was any doubt as to the sentiment of the Canadian people. Their loyalty to the Empire never was in question. At the same time public opinion needs a leader, and it is not too soon to say that Sir Sam gave the lead which was necessary in order that Canadian manhood could adequately express itself. History will not deny that he proved himself equal to the occasion, an occasion absolutely without precedent.

It is unfortunately only too well established that certain individuals have taken the opportunity afforded by war contracts to make undue profits, but it lies in no one's mouth to say that Major-General Hughes was cognizant of this or gave it the slightest countenance. The manner in which he has grown up to the full measure of his great responsibility is cause for congratulation. Naturally inclined to be spectacular in his utterances, there were some of his friends who, at the outset of the war, feared that he might be exuberant in his public statements and, perhaps, not always well advised. But he has developed a fine balance of character that inspires confidence. His public utterances are strong and dignified, and he has been able to impress himself upon the minds of the people of Canada to an unexpected and wholly favorable degree, which makes us all feel that our honor as a people is safe in his hands.

FARMING IN B. C.

During the last quarter of a century, when agriculture has been spoken of in the West, the test of the adaptability of any locality to this industry has usually been its capacity to produce wheat; but while wheat is perhaps the most important of all farm crops, there is reason to doubt if it can properly be regarded as the most profitable. A day or two ago we had an interview with Mr. Murphy, of the Cariboo Road, in which he spoke of the adaptability of a very large area here for hog-raising, and we do not think we are astray when we say that a given area devoted to the production of pork is likely to prove of greater profit to the farmer than a similar area devoted to the growth of wheat. Mr. Murphy mentioned that hog-raising in the Cariboo will not be profitable until after the Pacific Great Eastern has afforded facilities for transportation.

Quite apart from the specific subject and the specific locality to which Mr. Murphy referred, his remarkks are of great value because of the principle underlying them, which is that farming will never be at its best in this Province until each farmer considers what his farm is best adapted to, and not only is this true of the land alone, for it is even more so in respect to the farmer himself. While we are speaking especially of farming in British Columbia what we are saying is of universal applicability. Too many farmers everywhere fail to look upon farming as a business, and in consequence they are working at a disadvantage. Here is a field in which our Provincial Department of Agriculture can make itself very useful. A correspondent writing us recently said that very many farmers in the vicinity of Victoria looked upon the cultivation of the soil chiefly as an operation for killing time under conditions that enable them to enjoy our delightful climate and pursue sport in its various lines. This may be very well for persons who can afford it, but those who can are in a very small minority. The story of the man who lost his hay crop because he had not time to get it rains had made it impossible to save the hay, is a true one and in a sense is representative. Far too many of those who are professedly farmers really relegate the demands of the farm to a place that is hardly even secondary. To such men the valuable bulletins issued by the Federal and Provincial Departments of Agriculture are of little or no value. What they need is a campaign of education, and it cannot be carried on with printed matter, no matter how wisely it may be written. What is needed is the personal touch between the officers of the departments and the farmers, and this touch cannot be got by holding meetings. The officials who have anything to say, and they all have much of value to give to farmers, ought to get in touch with farmers personally and on their farms, consulting them on the ground as to the best direction in which they can put forth their efforts, and proving to them that there is such a thing as business farming.

We have in Victoria an admirably equipped Department of Agriculture, but the farmers do not get anything like the full benefit of it for the lack of the personal touch above mentioned. We do not propose to dictate to the Department how it shall proceed to educate the farming community up to an appreciation of farming as a business. We only wish to say that it is along that line it will find its greatest usefulness. Among the various ways in which the Provincial Government can do something that will be of lasting benefit to the Province, we can think of nothing that will prove of greater value than a campaign of education to show farmers that farming is a business, which if conducted according to business principles, will be a success and that it is really worth while. And we repeat that this can be better done by personal contact with the farmers than in any other way.

IRREPARABLE LOSS

We have before us a little volume of cartoons by Mr. Louis Raemaekers. This collection contains forty out of a hundred of his drawings, and it is issued by Hodder & Stoughton, of London, New York and Toronto. Mr. Raemaekers is, we understand, a Hollander. His work is powerful by reason of its awful suggestiveness. Mr. Arthur Baumann, in a letter to The Westminster Gazette, says these cartoons "have nailed the Kaiser to a cross of eternal infamy." But it is not the Kaiser only who has this immortal legacy. As representative of the German people his name will ever be associated with the deeds of horror that have shocked the nations, but it would have been impossible for any one man to have led a people into the depths that the Germans descended. Nero, Caligula, Attila and other monsters of the past could never have been what they were, they could never have been able to make themselves monsters of unparalleled atrocity, if they did not in a sense represent the people whom they ruled. The Huns were inconceivably cruel, not because their king was personally a monster, but because as a people they knew no God but force and evil was to them as good. The amazing thing in the present war is not so much that Prussian militarism has been guilty of immeasurable wickedness, as that the German people have permitted such horrors to be done in their name.

But it is not only in cartoons that the German people are being damned in the eyes of future generations. Current literature, and in a marked manner current fiction, is exhibiting between its lines an estimate of the German character such as never has been placed upon any other nation. The Belgian atrocities, the long list of horrors beginning with the sinking of the Lusitania, the killing of combatants rendered helpless, the violation of every rule of international honor, the wanton destruction of enemy property, the hitherto inconceivable deeds of rapine and lust—the long roll of these will never be called. Humanity could not listen to it without being aroused to frenzy, without calling upon Heaven to be permitted to wreak vengeance upon the perpetrators of this unprecedented list of horrors.

Germany has lost what she can never regain. A thousand victories by land or sea could not counterbalance her awful loss. No money indemnities, be they never so large, no conquered provinces, be they never so valuable, can compensate for what she has hastened to sacrifice. At present the German pepole are living under a delusion. Not many of them know the truth about the crimes that have been committed in their name. But there will come a time when they will know, when they will realize how they have been deceived. Whether they are victors or vanquished in the war which they precipitated, there will come a time when the national conscience will be awakened and they will see themselves as others see them. In sackcloth and ashes they will repent. Perhaps the world will in time be able to forgive them, but they never can forgive themselves. Their loss is irreparable.

THE NAVY

After nearly eighteen months of war Victoria, a seaboard city and one of the minor headquarters of British power, has yet to hear the first hostile cannon shot. We have lived through these strenuous months and gone about our peaceful ways in security. We need not elaborate the point, for, while it may

we owe to the navy. We are indebted to Sir Clive Phillipps-Wolley, president of the Federated Navy Leagues of British Columbia, for a copy of a circular letter sent out from the headquarters in London. It is rather too long to make its full production here possible, but there are points in it of very great interest, which we summarize. The league is an organization formed for practical work in connection with the navy, and its suggestions are of a practical character.

Among those made in the circular referred to are the following:

The prompt distribution of prize money that has been earned by the officers and men of the navy.

The payment of officers on a scale commensurate with the risks they are obliged to take and the splendid services they perform.

The appointment of an admiral to the War Council of the Cabinet.

That there should be no interference with the navy from any other department of the Government, and that international agreements ought not to be permitted to interfere with the exercise by the navy of its full powers.

We quote the following:

The navy is silent. It is unseen by the masses of the people of the Empire, but it is more apparent now than ever before that the navy is nevertheless the trustee of freedom's birthright of the people of the British Empire and, indeed, of the people of the whole human race.

A brief summary of the achievements of the navy in its relation to the process of the war will, it is hoped, provide seasonable food for thought.

1. Apart from a few futile raids, no British territory in any part of the world has been violated by the enemy.

2. During seventeen months of war the overseas trade of the United Kingdom reached in round figures £1,700,000,000 sterling, or £100,000,000 per month.

3. Food and drink to the value of about £400,000,000 have been imported into the United Kingdom during the year 1915 for the maintenance of the daily life of the people.

4. The sea-borne commerce of Germany, Austria and Turkey, amounting to nearly £1,100,000,000 sterling, has been driven from the seas.

5. Seven million tons of German, Austrian and Turkish shipping have been destroyed or driven to seek refuge in the harbors of neutral countries.

6. Vast armies, with casualties at sea which only amount to one man per 1,000, have been transported from the ends of the earth to the various theatres of war.

7. The brilliant operations of British submarines in the Baltic Sea have crippled German strategy as directed against Russia, and have virtually completed the blockade of Germany upon its Baltic seaboard.

8. The whole coast line of our great ally France has been preserved from enemy aggression.

9. The German submarine menace, which aimed at the complete destruction of British shipping, has been strangled in British home waters, and is being reduced within the narrowest limits in the Mediterranean.

10. The war operations of the Allies in every sphere of conflict are being maintained by the combined support of the Allied fleets.

This is a wonderful record. No one who reads it can fail to feel profound satisfaction and pride that the navy has been able, in the Providence of God, to do this great work for human liberty.

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Huius pacificis debemus moribus omnes
Quod veluti patriis regionibus utitur hospes
Quod sedem mutare licet, quod cernere Thulen
Lusus, et horrendos quondam penetrare recessus,
Quod bibimus passim Rhodanum, potamus Orontem
Quod cuncti gens una sumus. Nec terminus unquam,
Romanae ditionis erit.

—Claudian,
De Consulatu Stilichonis III., 150-160.

The same slightly adapted:

She alone clasps the conquered to her breast;
By her all men are with one name impress;
More mother than queen, with kindly bonds from far,
Whom she has tamed she ties, "her citizens" they are;
Through her broad realm where'er her guest may roam,
Beneath her peaceful rule he's still at home;
We shift at will, to see New Zealand's shore.
Today's a jaunt, however feared of yore;
To drink the Vaal, to quaff St. Lawrence tide,
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MAKE BIG EFFORT TO FILL BATTALION

103rd "Timber Wolves" Inaugurate Well Organized Recruiting Campaign in Victoria.

It is impossible to say just how many of Victoria's young men enlisted yesterday as a result of the whirlwind campaign inaugurated by the 103rd Battalion, "Timber Wolves of Vancouver Island." A gaily decorated observation street car, laden with the Fife and Drum band and the brass band of the unit, and the enthusiastic efforts of N. C. O.'s and men in the various residential districts were features of the appeal. In actual results, that is to say, in men passed by the doctor and sworn in, the outcome was not as good as was expected. But in promises the day was an outstanding success. From every company and from the recruiting centre on Fort Street, reports were received last evening that the names of large numbers had been submitted, that many had presented themselves and were to be medically examined at the earliest opportunity, and that not a few had agreed to come straight to the 103rd as soon as their present "jobs" play out. The campaign is likely to bring the battalion's strength to the required limit.

Lieut.-Col. Henniker, the O. C., and his officers are not contenting themselves with any half measures. Through carefully selected squads of N. C. O.'s they are coming into personal contact with the young men found on the street and elsewhere without a uniform and without any apparent reason for being in such a position. The civilians, it is pointed out, are not being accosted roughly, but are being approached in gentlemanly fashion and the manifestation of lack of interest is accepted as dismissal without cavil. The important thing, as is explained by the directors of the movement, is that the issue is being presented to all who have the appearance of potential soldiers, and the outcome should be the securing of the 250 men the "Timber Wolves" require in the course of a few weeks.

Companies Are Active

Early in the morning the various companies started for the districts to which they had been assigned. No. 1 Company, commanded by Captain Pemberton, went to Oak Bay. Headquarters were established at the Oak Bay boat house, where lunch was served. From that centre officers and men made a canvass of the residential section. No. 2 Company, Captain Lawder commanding, marched to James Bay and bivouacked on Foul Bay Beach. Selecting a more or less sheltered cove a huge bonfire was lighted. At midday the soldiers assembled there and in comparative warmth and with obvious relish partook of a well earned meal. The Gorge was the rendezvous of No. 3 Company, Captain Barton, and here a fine unoccupied hall was commandeered for the temporary accommodation of the officers and men. With this as a starting point the district was covered for possible recruits. Captain Black with No. 4 Company took up a position at St. Margaret's School, Foul Bay, and from there sent out sections of men to take the names of those willing to become members of the battalion.

The observation car, kindly lent by the B. C. Electric Railway Company, travelled from one district to the other maintaining interest among the citizens throughout the day. The buglers and the regimental band played at intervals. Large banners explained the object of the display in no uncertain terms. These were really unecessary, as the men, unoccupied in a musical way, used their voices to good effect. They invited pedestrians to take a trip with them, promising a "free journey to Berlin." While the riding must have been rather cold the soldiers appeared to enjoy it thoroughly, and they certainly lost no opportunity to advertise the battalion.

The net result of the day was the receipt of a large number of applications. These will be taken up today by Captain McSorley, the medical officer, and the strength of the unit should be materially increased.

The campaign will be continued today. It is probable that the companies will be differently distributed, but the endeavors of the soldiers will not be discontinued until the battalion is complete.

TRAINED MEN ARE WANTED BY THE 67TH

Vacancies for Thirty Recruits, of Strong Physique, With Western Scots—Some Battalion Plans.

Thirty men of good physique, and preferably having had some previous military experience, are wanted by the 67th Battalion, Western Scots, to bring the strength up to the authorized mark. There are no more vacancies than the number given, so that those who wish places in a battalion which expects to be ordered abroad within a few weeks, should submit their applications without delay.

It was explained yesterday that these few gaps in the ranks have occurred as a result of the discharge of some men for various reasons, and through the transfer of others. The principle on which the O.C. of the unit has been working since he secured 1,150 men, and has been engaged in training them, is to bring every soldier up to the highest standard of efficiency. Although regulations permit him to hold all those signed on, he has placed no obstacles in the way of those wishing to leave, explaining that, in his opinion, a dissatisfied man is a negligible quantity in the make-up of a battalion. The fact that, having adopted this practice, the Western Scots now only lack thirty of full strength is a striking commentary on the enthusiastic loyalty of the majority. Lieut.-Col. Lorne Ross, the O.C., and his officers feel that they do not have to make a special appeal to secure the new men they are asking for. They believe that, having brought the battalion to the proud position it now occupies, young Victorians who wish to see service at the earliest opportunity should be glad of the opportunity thus offered them to go with a corps with the reputation of the 67th.

Practise Bayonet Work

Owing to the weather conditions of the last few days, it has been impossible to give the Western Scots the training to which they had previously become accustomed. They have not been engaged in field exercises for some time. Major Christie, D.S.O., second in command, has been in sole charge for several days owing to the absence of Col. Ross, who is ill. The latter is expected to be back on duty shortly. This does not mean that the soldiers have been idle. Nothing is allowed to interfere with the regular routine, which is sufficiently strenuous to keep the men warm and in good shape. Besides they have been engaged in bayonet work under Captain St. Clair, and in learning the principles of First Aid under the able direction of Sergt. Brogan. In both these courses, which consist of lectures as well as practical instruction, the officers and men are evincing keen interest and are making satisfactory progress.

As soon as conditions permit the battalion is to take up field engineering, which entails the practice of digging in as rapidly as possible, of constructing bridges and other works under fire, and of destroying imaginary structures, the existence of which is supposed to be of advantage to the enemy.

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OVER 100 MORE MEN WANTED BY FUSILIERS

Announcement Made That the 88th Battalion Is Still Open to Receive Recruits—Barracks Are Crowded.

While the 88th Battalion, Victoria Fusiliers, have got 1,050 men, 100 more are required to make up the base company, which now is being attached to all such units. There must be available enough men, over the authorized strength, to provide for wastage which always occurs during training. This is caused chiefly by the elimination of some who, although constitutionally sound, may prove lacking in the physical strength necessary to stand up to the hard work to which they must be subjected. For this reason the recruiting of the battalion is continuing, which explains the presence on the streets yesterday of the Fusiliers' Fife and Drum band with a banner asking men to join the corps "which does things."

With the 88th up to full strength it will be necessary to make some arrangements for the accommodation of the men at the Willows. The quarters occupied by the men of that unit already are crowded. When it is explained that this condition prevails in spite of the fact that a double company under Capt. Pemberton is in barracks at Duncan, the need of some additional provision will be better appreciated. It is understood that Lieut.-Col. H. J. Rous Cullin, the O. C., has been offered the Nanaimo skating rink and other housing at that city. The suggestion that another company of the Fusiliers should be taken out of Victoria will be strongly resented. To avoid such a move it is probable that the city will have to take similar action to that adopted with respect to the B. C. Bantams. If the material were provided, and the consent of the D. O. C. secured, the battalion's pioneers could build themselves a structure which would house the entire force very comfortably. As it is, and with at least 100 more men to come, the soldiers are packed together and are experiencing discomforts, no more room being allowed than is essential for the preservation of health. This condition has given rise to the expression of the hope, on the part of officers and others, that the lumber required to erect additions will be forthcoming.

MAJOR WOLFENDEN IS SECOND IN COMMAND

Member of Well-known Victoria Family Has Important Post in 172nd Battalion, C.E.F.

An announcement of considerable interest has been made to the effect that Major Wolfenden had received the appointment of second in command of the 172nd Battalion, C.E.F.

The Major's military career will be followed with great interest. He has identified himself with military matters for some years and has always shown great aptitude in that branch of the service. Armstrong, B. C., owes him much in that respect as he formed a company of militia in that city some years ago and devoted much time and patience in training of that body. How he succeeded is well known and many men now holding good positions in the service owe their advancement to his good and careful training.

Major Wolfenden also has taken an active interest in the affairs of Armstrong since its incorporation, having been a member of the first council and re-elected by acclamation for the next term. Armstrong also owes to Major Wolfenden's energy the erection of a fine drill hall, which assisted very materially in keeping up the interest in matters military before the war, and in consequence has helped to swell the ranks of those volunteering for active [illegible]

PASSES WITH HONORS

Mr. Russell Ker, Son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Ker, Enters Royal Military College

Mr. Russell Ker, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Ker, of this city, has passed his entrance to the Royal Military College, Kingston, Ont., at the head of the list of Canadian candidates. Mr. Ker has left to take up the advanced studies at that institution. Just before the outbreak of the war, he returned from Haileybury, Eng. While there, he attended military school. His examination for admission to the Royal Military College was taken at Work Point. Mr. Ker is 18 years of age.

With the completion of his course at Kingston, Mr. Ker looks forward to joining his brother, Mr. Robert Ker, in the service of the Empire. The latter, who is 20 years of age, has graduated from the Central Flying School, England. He has entered the military branch of the British Aero Service.

WOLVES PLENTIFUL

The recent cold weather and heavy snows in the neighbourhood of Sooke Lake have driven down into the valleys of the Sooke and Leach Rivers a large number of timber wolves, and the sheep pens of ranchers in the neighboring districts have suffered considerable damage. The wolves are unusually daring, the snow having rendered them desperate, and a number of the animals have been seen in close proximity to Milne's Landing, on Sooke Harbor. One rancher of that section lost fourteen sheep a few days ago, and others have suffered loss through the depredations of the wolves.

Nearly every Winter wolves come down out of the hills and work down the Sooke River valley towards Sooke Harbor. This Winter, however, the heavy snow has forced them to come much nearer civilization than usual. Several packs of the animals have been seen by the men employed patrolling along the concrete pipe line of the Sooke Lake [illegible]



—Savannah Photo.

LIEUT. J. A. HINTON

Of Victoria, who holds a commission in the 150th Battalion C. E. F. of Montreal. He is to be quartermaster with the rank of captain. The unit is commanded by Lieut.-Col. Barre, who formerly was a major in the 14th Battalion C. E. F., and who was recently invalided from the front.

CARIBOO MEN ARE FLOCKING TO COLORS

172nd Battalion, C. E. F., Is Being Mobilized in Record Time—All Interior Districts Responding to Call.

Recruiting for the 172nd Battalion, C. E. F., officially to be known as the "Cariboo Rangers," is now in full swing, and from the Boundary country on the south, to the new settlements on the line of the G. T. P. on the north, men are pouring in to join the corps which is to carry on the fields of battle oversess the name made historic by the gold-seeking argonauts of the '60's.

The fact that the 172nd is to go to the front as a distinct unit is assisting the recruiting officers very materially in securing the right class of volunteers, as the men realize that when they, in company with other friends, offer themselves for active service they will remain together till the end of the war, and that the officers under whom they train and to whom they have become accustomed will be with them all through.

Although the battalion was only authorized some three weeks ago, the response to the call for men for the "Cariboos" has been generous and the successful formation of the unit without any undue delay is assured. At this date the nominal roll of the regiment shows a strength of 683, of which number 306 have been attested and are now at Kamloops; 96 attested and now at Kelowna; 40 at Revelstoke; 10 at Merritt; 11 at Princeton; 10 at Pritchard; 150 on the line of communication due east of Kamloops, and 60 members of the B. C. Horse, belonging to the Vancouver squadron, who are joining with the up-country squadrons of that regiment in the effort to obtain a full company of ex-members of the cavalry regiment for the "Cariboos."

Lieut. Tyner, who is on recruiting duty through the southern portion of the district, has wired the officer commanding that he will obtain a full company in that part of the district, while Lieut. Edwardes, who is on duty north and is at present in the Lillooet district, will doubtless meet with as ready a response. The other officers already appointed are kept busy at headquarters and making flying trips to outside points in the interests of the recruiting campaign.

Staff Is Completed

The O.C., Lieut.-Col. Vicars, has completed his staff, which will consist of: Senior Major, F. C. Wolfenden; Junior Major, H. T. Wilson; Adjutant, Lieut. Quinlan; Medical Officer, Lieut. Shaw; Chaplain, Hon. Captain, J. P. Wiseman; Signalling Officer, Lieut. McLaren; Quartermaster, Lieut. Carter; Paymaster, Capt. Lacey. The selection and appointment of the company officers and subalterns has not yet been completed, but the majority of these will be named within a few days.

The arrangements for a regimental band are well under way, and Bandmaster Williams is looking for recruits who play any of the usual band instruments. He has now fourteen men practising at headquarters, and there will doubtless be several other musicians among those who are attested at outside points, so that everything points to the probability of his being able to head the regiment with its own band on the occasion of its first parade as a mobilised corps.

Uniforms and equipment for 1,100 men have been received at the regimental headquarters, and the men now at Kamloops are being served with the complete Winter outfits as quickly as the quartermaster's department can hand out and fit the clothing. The drill hall for the time being is absolutely in the hands of the Quartermaster and his staff. The big floor space is covered with boxes and bales, blankets, and boots, tunics and trousers, greatcoats and gloves, and all other necessities of a soldier's equipment. As the cost of each outfit is estimated at something over $100, it will be seen that the 42,000 items of the equipment for the battalion will run to a little over $115,000, giving some idea as to the cost to the Dominion of the part the people of Canada are taking in the struggle.

At the present time those volunteers recruited at points where billeting arrangements are possible are being left at the place where they join, but as soon as the necessary preliminaries can be carried out, the scattered squads will be mobilised at Kamloops and serious training commenced.

No Separate Company

As the 31st B.C. Horse is a district regiment with its headquarters at Kamloops, and as Lieut.-Col. Wilson is joining the "Cariboos" as junior major, his men are working hard to obtain a sufficient number of recruits to form a complete company of their own in the new overseas battalion, and as the Vancouver squadron alone has some 90 men who have attested, and Merritt, Princeton, Salmon Arm, Chase and Grand Prairie, where other squadrons were located, are also working hard, there is little doubt but that the cavalry arm of the service will be well represented in the 172nd.

If a movement which is now under way is carried to a successful issue, the "Cariboos" will be one of the few battalions to bear colors when mobilized. It is understood that a group of the Red Cross ladies intends to circulate a subscription list amongst all the women and girls of the district asking for individual subscriptions not to exceed 25 cents, for the purpose of purchasing and embroidering a set of colors for the regiment. The maximum subscription is kept at a low figure so that the gift of the colors will come to the men who will fight under them from the women of the Federal riding of Cariboo.

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WAS WOUNDED DURING HAZARDOUS ACTION

Pte. R. Robinson, Who Returned Yesterday, Went Through Trying Experience at Festubert.

Still suffering from shrapnel wounds in the thigh and to a slight extent from the effects of German poison gas, Pte. R. Robinson, of the 7th Battalion, reported at the Esquimalt Military Hospital yesterday afternoon and is now undergoing treatment. He arrived in Victoria yesterday afternoon, in company with Cpl. R. E. Carter, of the same battalion.

Cpl. Carter, whose home is in Vancouver, left there shortly after the outbreak of war with the draft from the 6th D.C.O.R., which was absorbed into the 7th Battalion at Valcartier. He went through the fighting at St. Julien, where he was "gassed" and wounded with shrapnel on April 24. After registering at the convalescent hospital, he returned home to Vancouver on yesterday's boat.

Pte. Robinson is a veteran of both Ypres and Festubert. At Ypres he was with the 3rd Company of the 7th Battalion, which was captured by the enemy almost in its entirety. When the Germans engineered their poison gas-attack on April 24, Pte Robinson was among those soldiers occupying the Canadian first-line trenches, and found it impossible to escape contact with the gas fumes, which hovered over the ground in front of the German trenches and were driven by the wind upon the Canadians. The Canadians were within 25 yards of the Germans on the occasion of the attack, and it is therefore not to be wondered at that Pte. Robinson's company was forced to give in. It was not without resistance, however, that the Canadians were captured. They were ordered to retire, but rather than surrender their ground to the enemy, they disregarded the command, and continued to fight despite the onslaught of the gas. Some two or three hundred men were finally taken, after being surrounded by the enemy.

Fortunate Escape

Pte. Robinson, with thirty other soldiers of the same company, were more fortunate, and were able to escape from the trap set by the Germans without receiving serious injury. It is true that he was "gassed," but, although this disability prevented him eating any substantial food for several days, he was not prevented from taking any further part in the fighting.

On the morning of May 24, part of the 7th Battalion was ordered to reinforce the 5th Battalion, which, in conjunction with Strathcona's Horse and the Royal Canadian Dragoons, had forced the enemy to abandon part of his trenches. These units, having driven most of the Germans back to the second line, were occupied in "bombing" those of the enemy that continued to offer resistance. The 7th Battalion was called on for reinforcements, and Pte. Robinson was detailed off with several other men to supply the advanced bodies with grenades, which they had to carry from the first-line Canadian trenches to the German dugouts that were occupied by the Canadians.

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The parapets and communicating [illegible] necessary to run some 300 yards across the open. The German artillery had almost the exact range, and several of the Canadians were killed during this hazardous operation. The 5th Battalion, backed up by the 7th, the Dragoons and the Strathconas, having taken the enemy's front trench, pressed on through the communicating trenches towards the second-line, where the Germans were massed, preparing to make a stubborn defence. It was while traversing this communication trench that Pte. Robinson was knocked out by a fragment of shrapnel shell, which burst overhead and accounted for six other men besides himself.

After being hit, Pte. Robinson found himself unable to walk, and was forced to get down on his hands and knees and crawl back to the Canadian trenches. These he reached after three hours of painful exertion, made all the more difficult by the knowledge that if he was seen by the enemy he would have little chance of escape. He had to crawl over barbed wire entanglements before he finally reached his destination. He was then conveyed to a dressing station in the rear of the lines and given hurried treatment, being subsequently sent back to the base and transferred to an English hospital, from which he was allowed to leave for Canada a few weeks ago.

Pte. Robinson enlisted at Vancouver, although none of his relatives are in the West.

D. O. C. Expected Back

Col. A. T. Ogilvie, the D.O.C., who has been accompanying Brigadier-General John Hughes, inspector-general of Western Canada, in his inspection of the Mainland battalions, is expected back tomorrow.

Clear of Snowslides—Snowslides have been conspicuous by their absence on the G. T. P. tracks, running through the Rockies during the Winter, according to Mr. McNichol, assistant passenger agent of the G. T. P., at Prince Rupert. The reason given for this is that the tracks wind through wide valleys, with the mountains standing well back. What snow was encountered is in the immediate vicinity of Prince Rupert and in the Coast ranges. As far as Mr. McNichol could learn during his [illegible], it has not been necessary to run a rotary plough over the G. T. P. tracks throughout the Winter.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Charles James Crook and Miss Helen Reeves were very quietly married in St. John's Church on Tuesday evening by the rector, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick. Mr. and Mrs. Crook will reside in Victoria at the Montrose Apartments.

A quiet wedding between James Alexander McMartin and [illegible] took place in St. John's Church on Wednesday evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick in the presence of a few friends.

Mr. Edward Smith, of Leicester, Eng., and Miss Ellen Appleby, daughter of Mr. Henry Appleby, of this city, were married on Saturday evening last by the Rev. J. B. Warnicker at the Douglas Street Baptist Church. Mr. Joseph Fry was best man and Miss Constance Appleby, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will live in Cloverdale.

The Rev. J. W. Flinton, who has been confined to the house since before Christmas with an attack of influenza and complications, is now recovering and hopes to resume his duties by Sunday week, February 6.

A very successful and enjoyable whist drive was held at the home of Mrs. Crossan, 743 Market Street, on Wednesday evening by the Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Society. The winners of the prizes were: Ladies', 1st, Mrs. Ridgard; 2nd, Miss Neilson; 3rd, Miss M. Crossan. Gentlemen, 1st, Mr. J. Grant; 2nd, Col. Mould; 3rd, Mr. W. Angus. After the presentation of prizes by Mrs. Crossan, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Crossan and Misses Crossan. The next whist drive will be held at the home of Mrs. Denton, 2810 Government Street, on Wednesday, February 9.

The friends of Mrs. D. S. Gray, who has been confined to her home for several days by sickness, will be glad to hear she is well on the road to recovery.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Case Remanded—The Vancouver Milling & Grain Co. is charged with failing to report an accident in which one of its motor trucks was concerned. The case was called yesterday in the police court and adjourned until next Tuesday.

Confined to His Home—Mayor Stewart, who has been suffering from a severe cold and who returned to his office last Monday only to be forced to again return home, was reported much better yesterday, but he will be unable to assume his duties for the balance of the week.

Farmers' Institutes—According to notices in this week's issue of The British Columbia Gazette the Bulkley Valley Agricultural Association and Farmer's Institute is to be wound up. The Maple Farmers' Institute and the Fort Steel Farmers' Institute are incorporated.

Water Notices—Notice is given in this week's issue of The British Columbia Gazette that the petition for approval of certain undertakings by the Howe Sound Power Company, Ltd., and the hearing of a petition by the Riverside Water Supply Co., will be held at a date to be fixed by the controller.

Appointments Announced — Formal notification of the appointment of the police and licence commissioners for Victoria was received at the City Hall yesterday from the Provincial Secretary's office. Both bodies will hold early sessions to take up any matters referred to them by the retiring boards.

To Interview Government—On the occasion of the cabinet meeting at Kamloops on Monday next, Premier Bowser and his colleagues will be interviewed by a deputation from the Vancouver City Council on matters in connection with the railway depot on False Creek. Ald. Gale and Ald. Woodside are the members of the board delegated to interview the Government.

Consider Bids—The tenders for supplies for their respective institutions will be considered by the health and home committees of the City Council this morning at 10:30 o'clock. Other council committees will meet shortly to deal with the bids which affect the departments under their jurisdiction. The recommendations of these committees will be before the Council at next Monday's meeting.

Taxation Act—In this week's issue of The British Columbia Gazette the Hon. Thos. Taylor, Provincial Secretary, gives notice to assessors that the time for completing the assessment rolls for the year 1916 throughout the Province has been extended to February 29, and that the time for completing the duties of the courts of revision and appeal in relation to the said rolls has been extended from the 31st inst. to March 15.

C.P.R. Officials Here—Mr. R. Marpole, chief executive for the western division of the C.P.R., and Mr. H. J. Cambie, divisional engineer, spent yesterday in the city, and conferred with Mr. H. E. Beasley, superintendent of the Island division, relative to local conditions affecting the interests of the line. The visitors also had an interview with the Hon. W. R. Ross, acting Premier, and other members of the Provincial cabinet.

Responds to Alarms—A chimney fire at 554 Fisgard Street called out the fire department yesterday at 5:30 p.m. The alarm came in over the telephone, and was responded to, but some excited individual pulled the box at the corner of Government and Fisgard Streets, causing a response from apparatus from outside halls. A false alarm from Box 53, at the corner of King's Road and Blanshard Street, at 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning, gave the brigade a needless run.

Provincial Appointments—Notice of the following appointments is given in the current issue of The British Columbia Gazette: J. H. Hill to be secretary and Miss H. A. Erskine to be stenographer to the Returned Soldiers Aid Commission from December 1, 1915; P. J. Emerson, of Extension, Vancouver Island, to be medical health officer of Extension and district. The appointment of police and licence commissioners for Victoria city and Oak Bay municipality are also gazetted.

Pays Tuition Charge—Following the recent decision of the Council of Public Instruction, which gave an official ruling in respect to the liability of the outside municipalities to the city for the education of pupils attending the City High School, the city is in receipt of the charge for which Esquimalt has been held responsible. This amount, $328, has been forwarded. The levy upon Oak Bay amounts to $1,007, and upon Saanich, $1,054, but these sums have not yet been paid.

Companies Incorporated—Notice is given in the current issue of The British Columbia Gazette that certificates of incorporation have been granted to the following: H. P. Peterson Construction Co., head office at Vancouver and capitalized at $10,000; People's Printing and Publishing Co., Vancouver, $10,000; Perry & Mack, Vancouver, $25,000; Vancouver Creosoting Co., $3,000; Vancouver Rowing Club, under the provisions of the Benevolent Societies Act, and the Chinese National League.

Burns Night—A very successful Burns Night was held on Thursday evening at the First Untarian Church. There was a very enjoyable programme of Scottish songs and readings, and an interesting address on the life and message of Burns was given by the pastor, Rev. Walter G. Letham. Songs were contributed by Mrs. McLean, Miss Dinsdale, Miss Boyden and Miss Thomson, and readings by Mrs. Gunn, Mrs. Llewellyn, Miss McLean, Miss Thomson and Mr. Rand. Refreshments were served at the close.

Homestead Rights—A Federal order-in-council is printed in this week's issue of The British Columbia Gazette. It provides for the protection of the "entry within the Railway Belt of any person who, being a member of any body or force serving with the forces of Great Britain or any of her Allies during the present war, and who secured such entry after enlistment or after the date of his recall for active service, such protection to hold good during the continuance of such service and for a period not exceeding three months after his discharge from the military force with which he has been serving."

Chinese Nationalist League—According to a notice appearing in this week's issue of The British Columbia Gazette, "The Chinese Nationalist League" has been incorporated in Victoria by a number of local Chinese. The purpose of the society is thus described: "To carry on educational work among the Chinese people in the City of Victoria and elsewhere in British Columbia, and for such purpose to maintain at the cost and expense of the said Society daily newspapers, and to promote such social efforts among the Chinese people as will tend to promote the physical, intellectual and moral development of the Chinese people in British Columbia." [illegible]

Entertain Visitors From Prairies—Tonight, Prairie residents at present visiting in the city will be entertained by members of the Victoria and Island Development Association, at the Dominion Hotel, the function to commence at 8 o'clock. Invitations have been issued to all those visitors whose names and addresses could be secured, but those who have not been invited are urgently requested to accept the press announcement as an invitation and be present. An excellent programme has been prepared. The function will be the first of a series of fortnightly ones to be given during the next month or two.

Will Urge Market—The Provincial Government is to be urged to establish and maintain a Government-owned market at Vancouver. This action was decided upon at a meeting of the Farmers' Institute of Central Park, held a few days ago. To increase the consumption of British Columbia fruit it was recommended that the pint measure be adopted as a standard for marketing berries and currants. It was argued that while the consumers of the Coast cities had largely increased their consumption of British Columbia produce during 1915, and there had been a marked decrease in the fruit and vegetables imported from the other side of the line, Provincial growers must make still further efforts to capture the trade by much greater care in their methods of marketing their produce.

Breach of Regulations—J. H. Caver, a jitney driver, was called before the magistrate yesterday in the police court charged with a serious breach of the Motor Traffic Act in driving through a funeral procession. Alex. Brayshaw, a driver employed by the Victoria Transfer Co., said that he was in charge of the carriage behind the hearse and that Caver drove between his horses' heads and the rear of the hearse. It had happened last Friday afternoon while the procession was crossing Cook on Richardson Street. Mr. F. Castleton, of the B. C. Funeral Co., had waved the jitney driver back, but evidently he had not seen the signal. It was indicated that Caver's defence will be that there was a wide space between the hearse and the leading carriage and that he did not realise that the latter was following. The case was remanded to today to permit the attendance of other witnesses.

Women's Auxiliary to Hospitals—Mrs. Andrew Wright presided at the regular monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, which was held yesterday afternoon in the Y. W. C. A. A good attendance of members were present. The treasurer reported having received $16.75 past dues and also reported having paid bills to the amount of $9.50 for kitchen utensils for the wards. Bills to the amount of $336.75 were submitted on motion by Mrs. Otto Weiler, seconded by Miss Tolmie, and were ordered paid. Mrs. Otto Weiler, of the purchasing committee, was authorised to purchase drapery and dishes that were required. Mrs. R. F. Green, of the visiting committee, reported that the hospital was very full, there being at present 112 patients, a great many having grip and pneumonia. Mrs. Wright, of the maternity ward committee, reported that the work on the new maternity ward was going rapidly forward. The work of reconstructing the men's convalescent ward has been almost completed. The beds have been ordered and all the other necessary supplies required for the ward have been purchased. In reference to the expenditures in connection with making this change, Mrs. Wright reported accounts amounting to $557.15, which were passed for payment. Mrs. A. F. Griffiths, treasurer of the "Queen Victoria Memorial Fund for Maternity Cases," was authorised to pay the accounts thus passed, also all other accounts in connection with this work, amounting to about $3,000. Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Collison and Mrs. Ferguson were appointed delegates to attend the Women's Council next month.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., January 27, 1916.

SYNOPSIS

Intense cold continues over this Province, accompanied by strong northerly winds, while sharp frosts have extended southward to California. The temperature remains below zero in Cariboo and Kootenay, and in Alberta it ranges from 30 to 40 below zero. Snow is now falling in Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B. C.	22	29
Vancouver	20	28
Kamloops	-6	0
Barkerville	-24	6
Prince Rupert	10	30
Atlin	-24	-14
Dawson, Y. T.	-52	-46
Calgary, Alta.	-40	-36
Winnipeg, Man.	-10	-4
Portland, Ore.	26	..
San Francisco, Cal.	38	..
Port Arthur	-4	4
Penticton	6	13
Nelson	11	17
Cranbrook	-14	0
Fort George	-17	-2
Toronto	36	40
Ottawa	23	24
Montreal	18	20
St. John	22	24
Halifax	22	28

THURSDAY

Highest	29
Lowest	22
Average	25
Minimum on grass	18
Maximum in sun	39

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TRAIL SETS HIGH PATRIOTIC EXAMPLE

Reserve Fund Is Established to Provide for Wounded Men Returning From Front

Just at present, Trail, B. C., is mostly famed as the headquarters of one of the biggest smelting concerns in the whole of the Dominion, but judging from a communication which yesterday reached Mr. J. H. Hill, secretary of the Provincial Returned Soldiers Commission, it bids fair to be renowned as the most patriotic community, size of population considered, in the whole Empire.

The Mayor of Trail, Mr. S. Butler, writes under date of January 19, to the effect that "we are prepared to do all that is necessary for our men on their return, having a reserve fund of over $6,000 already, which is growing each month."

Mr. Hill expresses himself to the effect that is really a wonderful showing when one considers that Trail is only a very small community. He has forwarded to Mayor Butler a letter in reply which reads, in part, as follows:

"You are, indeed, to be congratulated for the splendid position in which your city has placed itself financially to deal with the problem of the care of our returned soldiers. I may say in this connection that it is not the intention of this Commission to interfere in any way with the work done by the local committees, which will be carried out in whatever way best answers their requirements. They are duly asked to keep this office advised as to the men returning to their respective districts and the disposition made of them. Cards for this purpose [illegible] committees as required.

"In the event of a local committee being unable to find employment for a man, if they will advise us we will give any assistance we can to find a suitable opening for him. In the case of men who wish to receive technical or agricultural training, it is the duty of this commission to provide such training free of charge.

"You will see from this how necessary it is that we should have responsible bodies throughout the Province to whom we can refer and who will keep us posted as to the needs of the returned men in the various districts."

At the various local bureaus in the Province, twenty-six in number, 114 men have thus far applied for positions, and employment has been found for 73. Employment for 49 of these men has been found through the offices of the Victoria Soldiers' Aid Employment Office.

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During the evening the meeting will be addressed by the Hon. Thomas Taylor, Provincial Secretary; Hon. Wm. McK. Ross, Minister of Lands; Hon. Lorne Campbell, Minister of Mines, and the Hon. A. C. Flumerfelt, Minister of Finance

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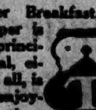
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VICTORIA PIONEER PASSES TO REST

Mrs. Ellen Shaw Came Here in 1858—For Many Years Was Pensioner at St. Joseph's Hospital

Another pioneer resident of Victoria, in the person of Mrs. Ellen Shaw, passed away yesterday at the St. Joseph's Hospital, where she had been a pensioner for many years. She was well known by all early citizens of this city, and her loss will be much regretted. Although she was 86 years of age, and had been in frail health for some time, her death was unexpected.

The late Mrs. Shaw was a native of Cork, Ireland, being borne there in 1829. While very young, she accompanied her parents to Canada, in 1858 coming to Victoria, where she made her residence ever since. Until she became a pensioner at St. Joseph's Hospital, she resided on View Street, opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral. Her husband, who predeceased her by some eight or ten years, followed the occupation of contractor while here.

Mrs. Shaw is survived by two daughters and a son. The daughters are: Mrs. C. N. Gowen, of thihs city, and Mrs. Edgar Ames, of Seattle, Wash., who, as Mrs. Sheldon, was prominent here some years ago as a vocalist. Mr. W. Shaw, of Portland, Ore., is the only son. There are also six grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

The funeral, which will be private, is to be held tomorrow morning from St. Andrew's Cathedral, where Rev. Father Leterme will officiate. Interment will take place at Ross Bay Cemetery.

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REDUCES OUTLAYS FOR COMING YEAR

School Board Approves Expenditures Several Thousands Less Than in 1915—Grippe Affects Attendance.

Final consideration of the estimates of expenditures for the present year took place before the Board of School Trustees at a meeting held yesterday afternoon. The proposed outlays total $231,573 on ordinary account, compared with $244,000 last year. Interest and sinking fund requirements will be $96,000, making a total outlay for education of $327,573; but against this amount must be placed the Government grant of approximately $72,000, leaving a total to be provided by the ratepayers of $255,573. The reduction in outlay on ordinary account will therefore be $12,500. Teachers' salaries were not touched, though the staff has been curtailed by eight or ten teachers during the past year, and the outlay for salaries this year will be about $12,000 less than last year. The estimates as approved yesterday will be sent on to the City Council, which will deal with the civic estimates at next Monday night's meeting.

It was announced at yesterday's meeting that the prevailing epidemic of grippe has seriously affected the attendance at the public schools, many teachers and pupils having had to remain at home. The attendance at the night classes has also been affected for the same reason, some of the classes having been suspended for the time being. The gasoline engine class was one that suffered, but it will reassemble next Monday evening at the usual place on Broughton Street, and not at the High School, as has been announced.

Mr. C. J. Carey, of Victoria West, has returned after visiting England. He has been away for several months.

Mr. R. Bain, assistant superintendent at the Bamfield cable station, is on a visit to Victoria for a few days, and is staying at the Empress Hotel.

[illegible] and Fifty Records. Builder's Levels. Furniture and Curios. Murdoch's Pandora Mart. Car No. 3 stops at door. Phone 1806.

OWNERS APPEAL FOR REPAIRS TO BRIDGE

Continued Lack of Traffic Facilities Over Rock Bay Structure Productive of Strong Protests to City.

While the city engineer's department is now working on plans of the proposed new swing span and trestle structure for the Rock Bay bridge, property owners on Store Street and on the north side of the harbor are complaining of the lack of bridge accommodation, and are urging upon the city the necessity of an immediate start upon the repair of the structure to permit of its being again opened for traffic. The work was one of the most discussed of any before the City Council last year, but owing to delays in dredging and the differences between the city and Government as to the length of the swing span to be installed nothing was definitely decided upon by the city. The Government made it clear that a seventy-foot span would have to be erected, though the city claimed that one of sixty feet would be ample for all requirements. The Government's dictum, however, was final, and the plans now being drawn contemplate the longer span.

Alderman Todd, chairman of the harbor committee, the body which this year will deal with matters affecting the harbor waters, is determined to push ahead the project in order that traffic may be resumed at the earliest possible date. The council must decide whether the span to be put in is to be of wood or of more permanent materials. If the latter it will be necessary for this year's board to place a larger amount in the estimates than is at present available for the work. An early meeting of the committee will be held, when the matter will be dealt with and recommendations in regard thereto forwarded to the council.

The latest complainants against the existing interruption to traffic are Messrs. McPherson & Fullerton, agents for owners whose property is adversely affected by reason of the closing of the bridge. In a communication to the city that firm says: "Property that brought good rentals and income, and on which we could afford to pay taxes before the closing of the bridge, is now bringing in nothing, and the tenants have practically become bankrupt."

EXPECTS TO HANDLE LARGE FISH TRADE

G. T. P. Official Says Market for Product Shipped Through Prince Rupert Is Continually Expanding.

Completing an inspection tour of the British Columbia division of the system, a party of prominent Grand Trunk officials reached the city yesterday morning, and are guests at the Empress Hotel. They are: Mr. W. P. Hinton, general freight and passenger manager, with headquarters at Winnipeg; Mr. G. A. McNicholl, assistant freight and passenger manager, of Prince Rupert; and Mr. H. H. Hansard, solicitor for the company. They were accompanied on their trip west by Mr. E. A. James, of Winnipeg, who is interested in many fishing and mining enterprises on the Coast. Mr. James was formerly general manager of the Canadian Northern at Winnipeg. After reaching Prince Rupert, the party came down to Vancouver on Sunday last, and had a conference with Mr. Morley Donaldson, vice-president and general manager, prior to his return to Winnipeg.

In an interview, Mr. Hinton stated that at Rupert he found things in a very encouraging position, despite the climatic conditions, which were the reverse of conducive to much activity at the present time. The G. T. P. expects to have a large amount of fish to handle out of that port this year. There should be much better results in that line than was the case last season, as the market for the fish of the Northern waters is constantly expanding.

On the Prairies, the company is being kept busy handling the grain crop. The latest estimate of the production last year, of all kinds of grain, is put at 832,000,000 bushels. When it is considered that only 12 per cent of the arable land has been brought under cultivation, the immense possibilities of the country can be estimated.

Prosperous Towns

The effect of the crops, and the good prices obtained therefore, are now being felt in the small towns, which are prosperous. The effects have not yet been felt in the larger cities, but these, later on, will derive full benefit.

Mr. Hinton says that in British Columbia there are new settlers coming in all the time. The country along the line of railway is splendid for farming, and this is now beginning to be known by those who are looking for new homesteads.

British Columbia mills should be able to do a big business with the farmers of the Northwest this Spring. During the past few months there has been quite a movement of lumber from British Columbia. His own company had taken 4,000,000 feet from the Coast mills for construction purposes in connection with the consolidation of its lines.

Mr. Hinton left Montreal early in the year and spent some time at Winnipeg, en route to the Coast. He expressed the opinion that Canada was bearing the strain of the war wonderfully well, and there was no reason for pessimism, even if it should continue for some time.

Mails Pass Through—Apparently the difficulties in connection with getting mail trains through the snowbound Rockies have been overcome, as five shipments of Eastern mail arrived yesterday at the Victoria post office. The arrival of so much mail at the same time caused some congestion, but little difficulty was experienced in handling it and everything was sorted yesterday. Another shipment of English mail was received yesterday, consisting of ninety-two bags of papers, thirty-one of parcel post and two of letters, which left England on January 7.

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THE LATE LIEUT.-COL. A. CODD.

WILL BE BURIED WITH MILITARY HONORS

Funeral of Lieut.-Col. Alfred Codd Takes Place Today—Local Units Participating

A veteran of the Red River and Northwest rebellions died on Wednesday at his residence, 1145 Faithful Street, in the person of Lieut.-Col. Alfred Codd. He was a native of Leatheringsett, Norfolk, England, where he was born in 1843. He came to Canada as a boy and graduated in medicine from McGill University, two years later being gazetted as surgeon to the Ottawa Brigade of Garrison Artillery. In 1870 he was appointed surgeon to the 1st Battalion of Ontario Rifles, which took part in the Red River uprising. In 1878 he became recruiting medical officer to the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, and in 1885 served through the Northwest Rebellion under Sir Frederick Middleton. He held medals for his services at Fish Creek, while he also participated in the fighting at Batoche. He subsequently was promoted to the rank of surgeon-lieutenant-colonel, and in 1906 he retired on a life pension.

He was married in 1868 to Miss Elizabeth Turner Bradley, of a distinguished military family, and came to Victoria eight years ago. Besides his widow, he is survived by a son and two daughters, the son being Staff-Capt. Selby A. Codd, of the Head Canadian Pay Office, while the daughters are Mrs. H. F. Anderson, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. F. C. Dunlop, of Minneapolis, Minn.

The funeral will take place at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from Christ Church Cathedral, and full military honors will be accorded the deceased officer. The 5th Regiment, C.G.A., will supply the gun carriage, the 11th C. M. R. the horses and drivers, the 88th Victoria Fusiliers the firing party of 100 men and an officer, and an escort of 100 men and an officer. Several other officers of the battalion will attend the obsequies as mourners. The brass bands of the 67th Battalion and the 88th Battalion will attend, while the 67th will also provide a double company. An escort of 50 men with an officer will represent the 11th C.M.R.

MUNICIPAL CHAPTER

Report of Field Comforts Committee Shows That Work Has Been Effective

Matters of considerable interest were brought up for discussion yesterday at a meeting of the Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., at which Mrs. Albert Griffiths, the regent, presided. The date of the annual meeting was decided upon, and this event will take place on March 9.

The report of the field comforts committee showed that workers had been making dressing gowns for the Willows camp hospital tents, and that five had already been completed. It was reported that a bolt of khaki material had been purchased, with which garments will be made. Last month there were forwarded 183 pairs of socks, three sleeveless sweaters, seven pairs of gloves, twelve mufflers, forty-six mittens and three dozen khaki handkerchiefs by the Chapter. To the Willows camp hospital twelve pairs of pajamas and 10 pairs of bed socks had been forwarded. The committee had also provided Balaclava helmets, wristlets and mufflers for an army service corps detachment which left on active service on January 10. The work will be continued.

Permission was granted at the meeting to the Esquimalt Chapter to hold a dansante at Government House at a date to be announced later.

The convenership of the field comforts committee was assumed temporarily by Mrs. Belson during the absence of Mrs. Cookson. Mrs. Van Rennan will assist. The Municipal Chapter has decided not to sell tickets for anything in the future, and all such work will devolve upon the Primary Chapters.

TO SUPPORT SOLDIERS' EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

Canadian Club Will Co-operate With Other Bodies in Important Movement

The Canadian Club will in future lend its support to the movement for finding employment for returned soldiers, and it is probable that it will, with other organizations, become affiliated with the Returned Soldiers' Employment Commission, which under the chairmanship of Dr. H. E. Young, has been doing good service in conjunction with the Military Hospitals Commission under government supervision.

This decision has been arrived at by the executive of the club, and the Veterans' Club and kindred bodies will co-operate for the purpose of doing all that is possible for the benefit of returning soldiers. The Canadian Club, as a body, will not be able to give any financial assistance, unless some of its individual members are so inclined, but its influence should be far-reaching. It is understood that the club will later take up the proposal regarding land settlement, an issue which is of importance in view of the immigration to the West, which is expected after the war.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Club will be held in about two weeks' time, and the nomination committee has already been named. Among the matters to be given consideration at the meeting will be the annual report and the election of officers.

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NORTH WINDS SWEEP PACIFIC SLOPE

Zero Temperatures Still Prevail in Interior and Prairie Provinces—Ten Degrees of Frost in Victoria.

Last night there existed an extraordinary difference of two full barometric inches in atmospheric pressure between the region of Dawson, where the reading was 31, and that of San Francisco, where but 29 was recorded. San Francisco's low barometer was due to an ocean storm centre passing in off the Pacific in that vicinity. As a result of this barometric gradient a strong northerly wind is sweeping the entire Pacific Slope. The wind velocities along the coast have reached the proportions of heavy gales from the northeast carrying very low temperatures. Downpours of rain were experienced yesterday on the coast of California and a pronounced fall of snow in the Sacramento Valley.

Severe zero temperatures still prevail throughout the Interior of this Province and in the Western Prairie Provinces. A slight moderation in Manitoba was accompanied by a fall of several inches of snow. It was still snowing in that region at 5 p.m. yesterday. The cold wave had at that time reached Western Ontario, and will today put an end to the unusually mild temperatures which have existed in the East during the last few days.

The maximum temperature in Victoria yesterday was 29 degrees. The minimum morning temperature was 22 degrees, and by 9 o'clock last night the thermometer had again fallen to that point. A strong northerly wind, increasing in velocity during the night, developed.

With little immediate prospect for moderation in temperature, householders are looking forward to a shortage of fuel with some alarm, since the difficult condition of the city's streets due to the recent fall of snow has put fuel dealers several days behind in deliveries.

EAST INDIAN CHARGED WITH SERIOUS OFFENCE

Massa Singh Before Judge Lampman Accused of Shooting With Intent to Maim—Trial in Progress

Charged with shooting with intent to main, Massa Singh, an East Indian, appeared before Judge Lampman in the County Court yesterday. The man he is alleged to have tried to shoot is John Jones. The affair occurred outside the home of Mrs. Alma Snowden, Delta Street, on the night of December 1. Mr. W. H. Bullock-Webster is appearing for the Crown and Mr. D. S. Tait is acting for the prisoner. At the time of the adjournment yesterday the evidence for the prosecution had all been heard and that for the defence had been started. It will be continued at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

There was little testimony adduced in addition to that which already had come out in the lower court. A plan of the Snowden house was put in and proved by Constable James Owens, of Saanich. Mrs. Snowden said that she had known Massa Singh for about a year, making his acquaintance through his visits to deliver milk. When she and another woman had been convicted of keeping a disreputable house Massa Singh had paid the $50 fine and she afterwards had lived with him as his housekeeper in order to pay the debt. This arrangement had continued for four months, when they quarrelled. Taking a house of her own she agreed to board the accused in order to reduce the amount owing. Another break in the relations occurred and it was followed by a police court prosecution, as a result of which Massa Singh was ordered to keep away. He still continued to haunt the premises and she had got Mr. Jones to watch the place. He was seen looking in the windows on the night of December 1 and Mr. Jones had gone out to see him. Shortly after there had been a shot. Witness said that her husband was a soldier at the front and that she received allowances from the Patriotic Fund. She had not received her December cheque, but had made application.

Mr. Jones repeated Mrs. Snowden's testimony with regard to the shooting, adding that he had seen Massa Singh at the gate. He was walking away and about six feet outside he stopped, pulled a gun from his hip pocket and fired. Witness had "ducked" his head.

CLUB PREPARES FOR SEATTLE CONVENTION

Victoria Rotarians Will Have Strong Delegation to Northwest Conference on February 19

Victoria! Victoria!
We are from Victoria.
The sun is always brighter there,
There's something sweeter in the air,
The wind seems kinder, sky more blue,
Folks more friendly, friends more true;
Say, folks, we wish that all of you
Lived in Victoria!

This is to be the cry of the Victoria Clan at the Conference of the Northwest Rotary Clubs to be held in the Washington Hotel, Seattle, on February 19. At this conference will gather several hundred representative business men from the centres of population in the Northwest, including Portland to the south and Butte and Calgary to the east. A strong delegation will go from the Victoria Club and its members have separately and unitedly pledged themselves that the name and attractions of this city shall be permanently impressed on the minds of all and sundry.

Last year the convention was held here. The local members than proved good hosts, and the impressions of Victoria left with the visitors have brought manifold returns to this city in the interim. It is the intention to grasp the present opportunity to consolidate Victoria's position in the fraternity of Northwest cities.

Twenty-two members of the club were brought to their feet at yesterday's meeting in response to a call from the chairman of the committee, Thomas Walker, for a roster of those who had already decided to attend the convention. It is estimated that the delegation will probably number more than forty. The plans of the committee, now well in hand, are expected to be complete by next week's meeting, after which the delegates will be drilled for their part in the entertainment programme at the convention banquet. This will include a number of very appropriate parodies written to well known music.

A ten minute talk was given at yesterday's meeting by Rotarian Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick, on "Rotary." To him the pivotal centre of Rotary was friendship. The circumference was business service. Friendship not only increased business but it increased efficiency. It was a strong factor for the extension of the trade which good service had engendered. He believed that there should be more universality in friendships, for sunshine would accomplish results that could be attained in no other way.

Rotarian H. A. Davie made a few remarks on the relation of the motor truck to the conduct of business. He believed that too many men failed to use to advantage the instinct with which they had made a success of their business when planning to install a motor truck service. There were many things that should be carefully studied in order that such a service should exactly suit the needs of the business. He asserted that the solicitation of expert advice from a competent motor engineer would, in many cases, avoid costly experiments and possible failure. A careful choice of machines was vital, and should be followed by a careful selection of operators.

STABBED COMPANION

Charles Shadwick Uses Knife When His Request for Loan Is Refused

Because he refused to comply with the request for a loan of $5 made to him by Charles D. Shadwick, Bruce Thompson was stabbed by the other and severely cut in the left side, at 8:30 o'clock last night while the two were in the lavatory of the Strand Hotel, Johnson Street. The sounds of scuffling at the rear of the bar premises attracted the attention of Mr. A. Duff, proprietor of the hotel. He went back and ordered the two to stop fighting. Thompson came out towards the bar remarking that "he gave me a good one in the side," but he never hinted that he had been stabbed. Shadwick left the premises for the street, and it was some minutes later before Thompson mentioned the fact that he had been cut. Others in the bar immediately took off his coat and vest and discovered the shirt drenched with blood from a wound about four inches in length.

The police were notified by Mr. Duff and Detectives Heather and Murray responded. Shadwick came back to the bar a minute or two after the detectives arrived, and when arrested showed fight but was easily overpowered. He was still carrying a knife in his hand, though there were at that time no signs of blood upon it.

Both men were taken to police headquarters where Dr. Lennox attended Thompson and ordered him to be taken to the Royal Jubilee Hospital, where a subsequent examination showed that the cut, while a serious one, was not likely to prove dangerous. Shadwick was booked on a charge of cutting and wounding.

Thompson met Shadwick in the bar of the hotel in the afternoon and again in the evening, and there had been no sign of trouble between them. Thompson stated that apparently Shadwick was incensed when refused the loan he asked for, and Thompson had no time to avoid the other's thrust. He explained his failure to say anything about his injury immediately it was inflicted, by stating that he did not think it was anything serious.

Thompson has been a resident of Victoria for some time and is a blacksmith by trade. He intended leaving for the East on last night's boat. Little is known of Shadwick other than that he has not been here long, and apparently came from Joplin, Missouri. He was absolutely without funds, and beyond the knife, had little or no effects in his possession. He will be arraigned in the police court this morning.

OBITUARY NOTICES

The funeral of Mr. John Wallace Williams will take place tomorrow afternoon from the B. C. Funeral chapel at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. F. H. Fatt will officiate. Interment will be made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

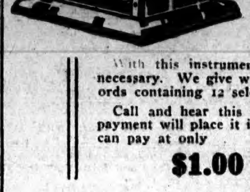
The funeral of Mr. William Charles Brown was conducted yesterday morning at the B. C. Funeral chapel by Rev. A. de B. Owen. There were several [illegible]

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DEATHS

CODD—At his late residence, 1145 Faithful Street, on January 26, Lt.-Col. Alfred Codd, aged 73 years.

Military funeral at Christ Church Cathedral on Friday, Jan. 28, at 2:30 p. m. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery. No flowers, by request. The remains are reposing at Sands Funeral Furnishing Co., where they will be till Friday afternoon. Winnipeg and Ottawa papers please copy.

WILLIAMS—On Jan. 26, 1916, John Wallis Williams, late of Grant Street, aged 57 years, born in Cornwall, England. The deceased had been a resident of Victoria for the past 55 years.

The remains are reposing at the B. C. Funeral Chapel, 734 Broughton Street. Due notice of the funeral will be given. No flowers, by request.

BRUCE—At her daughter's residence, 848 Old Esquimalt Road, on the 26th inst., Mrs. Elizabeth Bruce, aged 86 years, born in Fort Logan, Wigtownshire, Scotland, a resident of this city for the past 26 years, widow of the late Alexander Bruce. The deceased leaves to mourn her loss, three sons, Andrew, of Brooklyn, New York; Alexander and Herbert Bruce of this city, and two daughters, Mrs. Macdonald, of Victoria, and Mrs. T. H. Porter, of Chemainus.

The funeral, which is being arranged by the Sands Funeral Company, will take place on Friday, the 28th inst., at 2 o'clock, from her daughter's residence, Old Esquimalt Road. Rev. Dr. Maclean will officiate. Interment in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

HORN—On the 27th, at her residence, 190 Joseph Street, occurred the death of Catherine West Horn, aged 65 years. Relict of the late John Nairn Horn, Winnipeg, Man. She had been a resident of the city for the past three years, and prior to coming to Victoria lived in Winnipeg twenty-four years. She is survived by seven children. One son, John W. Horn, of Winnipeg, will accompany the remains, which are being forwarded to Winnipeg for interment in Kildonan Cemetery.

Funeral service will be held at the Thomson funeral chapel on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. J. G. Inkster officiating. Friends kindly accept this intimation.

Winnipeg papers please copy.

DOBBIN—On the 26th inst., at her home, 131 Wellington Avenue, Mrs. Elizabeth Dobbin, aged 74 years, born near Brampton, Ontario, widow of the late John Dobbin, of Regina, Sask. The deceased leaves to mourn her loss, one sister, Mrs. S. G. King, Owen Sound, Ont.; three brothers, Mr. Joseph Neelands, Owen Sound; Mr. William Neelands, Vancouver, and Mr. Daniel Neelands, of 403 Simcoe Street, Victoria.

The funeral, which is being arranged by the Sands Funeral Company, will take place on Saturday, the 29th inst., at 2 o'clock, from the above residence. Rev. E. B. Glass will officiate. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery.

SHAW—On January 27, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Mrs. Ellen Shaw, aged 88 years. Funeral private. No flowers.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. Arthur Pendray and relatives desire to express their sincere thanks to all friends for the sympathy and kindness extended to them in their recent sad bereavement.

memory of the deceased. Interment was made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

Mrs. Catherine West Horn, relict of the late Mr. John Nairn Horn, died yesterday morning at her residence, 190 Joseph Street. The deceased lady was 65 years of age and lived here for the past three years, having come to Victoria from Winnipeg, where she resided nearly a quarter of a century. Seven children are surviving. A son, Mr. John W. Horn, of Winnipeg, will accompany the remains to the Manitoba capital for burial. Services will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the Sands Funeral chapel, where Rev. J. Gibson Inkster will officiate.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bessie Pendray, who died last Monday, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral chapel. The obsequies were largely attended by sympathising friends and many floral tributes were sent. The pallbearers were: Messrs C. D. Munn, R. N. Penman, E. Pearce, James Joynt, B. Cooney and R. R. Knott. Rev. J. Robson officiated, and interment was made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

HEAVY SNOWFALL SINKS BOATHOUSES ON SOUND

Twenty Inches of Snow in Northern Washington—Fear Big Floods

A fall of snow, twenty inches deep, at Bellingham, Wash., proved so heavy when it had hardened into an ice pack that it has sunk several boathouses along the waterfront. Eight of them are completely under water, while others have only their eaves above the surface.

The heavy snowfall and ice-pack has also damaged some of Bellingham's wharves. The centre of the Government wharf at Silver Beach has caved in under the weight. Half of a private wharf which is being used regularly has also collapsed.

The fall of snow this year in some of the northern parts of the State of Washington has been so heavy that serious floods are feared when the thaw commences.

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Van Camp's Pork and Beans—A tin .... 10¢
C. & B. Orange Marmalade—1's, each .... 15¢
Upton's Orange Marmalade—4's, a tin .... 50¢
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Brand's A1 Sauce — Large 50c bottles; Special, 25¢
Rowat's Chou Pickles—Large 30 oz. jars; ea. 25¢
Royal Crown Washing Powder—A package .... 25¢
Sunlight or Lifebuoy Soap—11 cakes .... 50¢
Gloss Starch—3 pkts... 25¢

San Juan Cleanser—Special, 5 cans .... 25¢

Fancy Feed Wheat—100-lb. sack $2.15
Scratch Food—100-lb. sack for $2.00
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Potatoes — Scottish Champions. A sack .... 95¢

Toilet Paper—Round or Flat. 6 packets ..25¢

Back Bacon—By piece or half piece; a lb. .... 23¢
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LADY COKE

Dickens in Camp

Above the pines the moon was slowly drifting,
The river sang below,
The dim Sierras, far beyond, uplifting
Their minarets of snow.

The roaring camp fires, with rude humor, painted
The ruddy tints of health
On haggard face and form that droop'd and fainted
In the fierce race for wealth.

Till one arose and from his pack's scant treasure
A hoarded volume drew,
And cards were dropped from hands of listless leisure
To hear the tale anew.

And then while round them shadows gather'd faster,
And as the twilight fell,
He read aloud the book wherein the Master
Had writ of little Nell.

Perhaps 'twas boyish fancy—for the reader
Was youngest of them all,
But, as he read, from clustering pines and cedar
A silence seemed to fall.

The fir trees, gathering closer in the shadows,
Listen'd in every spray;
While the whole camp, with Nell on English meadows,
Wander'd and lost their way.

And so in mountain solitudes—o'ertaken
As by some spell divine,
Their cares dropp'd from them like the needles shaken
From out the gusty pines.

Lost is that camp and wasted all its fire:
And he who wrought the spell?
Ah, towering fine and stately Kentish spire,
Ye have one tale to tell.

Lost is that camp! but let its fragrant story
Blend with the breath that thrills
With hop-vines incense all the pensive glory
That fills the Kentish hills.

And on that grave where English oak and holly
And laurel leaves entwine,
Deem it not all a too presumptuous folly,—
This spray of Western pine!

—Francis Bret Harte.

Lady Coke

Lord Coke is heir to the earldom of Leicester, but his own name is by the English speaking world looked upon as his greatest heritage. Sir Edward Coke, the famous lawyer, who lived nearly 300 years ago, is known best to British freemen as the author of the Petition of Right, that noble statement of a nation's liberties which was reluctantly signed by King Charles I.

Since that day, despotic monarchy has been impossible where the British flag floats. It is well that sometimes we should remember the names of those who won for us this pledge of freedom: Pym and Hampden, Eliot, and Coke, and many another.

In these days, when the heirs to noble names are falling, Lady Coke is being congratulated on the birth of a second son. It is ten years since Lord Coke married Marion Gertrude, the daughter of the late Col. the Hon. W. R. Trefuses, and, besides their two sons, they have a little daughter. Lord Coke served in the Boer War, and is a captain in the Foot Guards.

Tuberculosis

The attention of the citizens of Victoria has again been drawn by the health officer to the spread of consumption. In this Dr. Hall is performing an unpleasant duty. It would be infinitely easier for him to allow us all to remain under the delusion that there is no need to trouble ourselves about tuberculosis.

Those of us who have lived for many years in Victoria have seen people who suffered from bronchitis and kindred ailments recover in a climate which made outdoor life easy and where extreme weather conditions do not prevail. The hectic flush and the hacking cough, but too familiar in Eastern cities, seldom obtrude themselves on our notice in public places here. And so, we are all inclined to be satisfied with caring as well as we can for the sick, and with supporting, not very generously, the sanitarium at Kamloops, which is far out of our sight. Not many of us know anything about the isolation tents where, under many difficulties the nurses of the Jubilee Hospital make the last stages of the journey of poor and homeless sufferers as easy as may be.

It is something of a rude awakening to be told that one out of every eight deaths that took place last year was from tuberculosis. It is true that the whole death rate is low. But forty-nine of three hundred and ninety-three funerals is far too large a proportion for safety. There is no way of discovering how many of these cases were centres of infection.

There is no wish to exaggerate. Not quite one in a thousand would not be an alarming rate for a non-infectious sickness. But if we are to keep up Victoria's reputation as one of the healthiest cities in the world, it is time we bestirred ourselves. The medical health officer does not tell us what we ought to do. The matron of the Jubilee Hospital is quite ready to say that we have not made adequate provision for hopeless cases, whether we look at the matter from the standpoint of humanity or efficiency. To keep people who are able to work idle; to allow men and women who can enjoy the beauties of naure to live confined lives when there is abundant room for them elsewhere is not enlightened and it is not kind.

One of the most faithful visitors of the anti-tuberculosis society has told us that disinfection of sick rooms is not always carried out.

Would it not be wise for the people of Victoria to empower the health officer to take what science points out to be the most effective means to fight consumption in whatever form it may appear. It is true we have little money to spare this year, but the bacilli of tuberculosis will not take account of that and cease spreading. It may be that if we know as much as we should we could prevent the growth of the disease without spending much more than we do at present. Victoria cannot afford to lose fifty people at the most productive period of their lives from a disease that could be checked, if not conquered.

Measles

There has been an epidemic of measles in some parts of Vancouver. Dr. Underhill, the medical health officer, has found it necessary to warn the citizens against carelessness. The disease ought to be controlled, but as long as it is generally believed that every child must have measles and that, beyond the inconvenience caused by the sickness, no serious results follow from an attack, parents will not take the trouble to isolate patients or to report cases.

Medical authorities are now agreed in believing that measles is not an inevitable disease of childhood. Contrary to the usually accepted belief, Dr. Underhill states that the older the patient is the more likelihood of making a good recovery.

An attack of measles is not to be regarded lightly, much less courted. Tables of mortality show that this sickness is the cause of many deaths. Even when the patient recovers, bad consequences too often follow.

The child who catches measles ought, if there are other children in the family, to be isolated and carefully guarded from cold and too much light. It is well to consult a doctor, for old traditions are hard to kill, and these too often recommend treatment the reverse of beneficial. The thirsty child used to be refused water and air was excluded from the room in which it lay.

Since the appointment of a school doctor and nurse epidemics have seldom appeared in Victoria. It is hardly to be expected that no case of measles will be imported into the city. It may be hoped, however, that watchfulness and good sense will prevent the spread of the disease. There should not be a single mother in our city who is not as anxious to safeguard her neighbor's child as she is to bring about the recovery of her own.

Travelling Libraries

Outside of the cities of this Province, there are, roughly speaking, about 200,000 people scattered in little groups over nearly 400,000 square miles of territory. There are districts, like the Saanich Peninsula, Cowichan, the Lower Mainland and some parts of the Okanagan, which are comparatively closely settled, and where, even if conditions are not too easy, people are not lonely and enjoy most of the comforts of life.

But pioneering is still going on in this Province. Up and down the coast, in the mountainous valleys, in the islands, at the lighthouses, even along the railroads, isolation makes life, especially for women, very hard. There may not be poverty, for, perhaps, the proportion of well-to-do settlers was never larger than in this newest province. But a bank account is of little use to the family shut in by the shortening Winter days. It may have provided food, but companionship and recreation must be found chiefly at home.

Few things will redound so much to the credit of the Government of this Province as that they have provided, in the travelling libraries, a never-failing source of pleasure to many of the most isolated places of the Province. From Atlin on its northern border to Corbin, the new mining camp near its southeastern corner and from Triangle Island to the Crow's Nest Pass, parcels of fifty books are dispatched periodically if transportation is possible. What the arrival of this package means to the people who live in out-of-the-way places, those whose lives have been spent in cities can scarcely realise.

The gentleman to whose charge the 12,000 volumes have been entrusted does not pose as a missionary or a philanthropist, but it is doubtful if Mr. Killam has not done more good in the quiet, faithful discharge of his duty in the Provincial library than many belonging to these classes.

Except in rare instances the boks are not sent to the towns. There are not enough for that. Some person or society must be responsible for their safe keeping and for their return at the end of six months. It is impossible to send to individuals, and schools must look elsewhere for their libraries. One man could not, even if it were desirable, attend to such needs.

The selection of the books is in Mr. Killam's hands, except in the somewhat rare instances when special requests are made. These are complied with, if it is considered desirable. Half the books sent out are fiction. It is believed that a good story is the best relief from the monotony and drudgery that are inseparable from life in new places. Of the rest ten books are for children and the remainder form a miscellaneous collection suited to the needs of serious readers.

Fifty books in these days of libaries may not seem a large store, and, to the devourer of light fiction six months may seem a long time before a change brings new sweets for an appetite with little taste for wholesome fare, but to the lover of reading the travelling library is a treasure indeed, and the time often too short for busy people to derive from it all the mental and spiritual sustenance it is capable of affording.

It has been said that it was impossible to supply individual needs, and in the main this is true.. But a little talk to Mr. Killam will show that there are exceptions, and no one who is shut away from the world need fear to appeal to the custodian of the travelling library in the faith that if it be possible some means will be found of supplying a real need. A case in point was the dispatching of a parcel to Triangle Island in response to a wireless message received on the eve of the departure of the Estevan on her last trip of the season. This is by no means the only lighthouse station supplied with books.

It was disappointing to learn that people have been found who find fault with the proportion of children's books in the travelling library. If some of the objectors spent a part of the season with Lewis Carroll, Hans Anderson or in re-reading Robinson Crusoe when they had finished the rest of the volumes they might learn generosity. It would be better still if the mothers or fathers took time to read to them little ones and made the most of a means of refinement and a source of delight. One wonders if in such cases the teacher of the district school has access to this store of ten children's books. How many a pleasant break in the day's routine they would afford.

It is to be remembered that neither the Government, the chief librarian, nor the custodian of the travelling library has any purpose except to serve those who either through want of means or opportunity can get books in no other way. At present about one hundred and seventy-five centres are served and these almost exhaust the resources at the disposal of this department. To these good, wholesome and interesting books are sent, but no attempt is or can be made to minister to the demand for the newest fiction.

It may not be generally known that those companies who are operating some of the mines and other industrial establishments in this new Province of ours feel that they are under an obligation to supply the men with reading matter. In many of the larger mining camps there is a good reading room, and that at the Powell River Pulp Mills is especially well supplied with papers and magazines. In such cases the box of books from the Provincial Library forms a much appreciated addition.

Enough, it is hoped, has been said to show that the travelling library is assisting in a very real way the work of education to which the Government of the Province has always been devoted. It requires no stretch of the imagination to feel that it is bringing to many lonely homes a happiness which could not be obtained from any other source.

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10-cent "Cascarets" is best cathartic for men, women, children.



Cascarets are a treat! They liven your liver, clean your thirty feet of bowels and sweeten your stomach. You eat one or two Cascarets, like candy, before going to bed and in the morning your head is clear, tongue is clean, stomach is sweet, breath right, and cold gone and you feel grand.

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'THE GIRL FROM NOWHERE'

Musical Comedy to Be Shown at Royal Victoria in Sensational and Joyous Production

"The Girl From Nowhere," the biggest musical comedy success of 1915, will be the attraction at the Royal Victoria Theatre next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.

This brilliant musical revue is right up to the minute in every particular. The scenes are laid in San Francisco, and the entire action is supposed to take place during the big exposition. Several of the famous landmarks of the fair have been duplicated on canvas, and form a vivid background for the story. The most beautiful setting of the whole production shows the Tower of Jewels at night, with the spotlights playing on it and bringing out sparkling shafts of myriad colors as each of the thousands of tiny jewels reflects the light.

The plot is equally as timely as the settings. There is the dark and desperate plotting of the Mexican revolutionists, and the romantic story of the young British remount officer who discovers the mystery of the pretty little girl from nowhere, and proves her to be an English heiress instead of a Mexican senorita.

Although the story is thrilling, sensational, and sometimes almost melodramatic in its intensity, the keynote throughout is pure joy. The twenty-four musical numbers are also a part of the story and not just interpolations. There are fourteen acting parts in the piece, and a beauty chorus of pretty and clever girls.

The cast is headed by Miss Zara Clinton, Mr. Billy Oswald, and Mr. Harry Heyland, three of the best liked musical comedy artists in England, and all of whom have a host of admirers in Victoria.

Drooping, Tired, Weary Try This Remedy!

Don't give in to that depressed, played out, don't care sort of feeling. Better days are ahead. Cheer up, do as the other fellow is doing, tone and strengthen your blood, and you'll feel like new again. You'll dance with new found energy once you use Dr. Hamilton's Pills. They will quickly fill your system with energy, bring back the old appetite, restore that long lost complexion, make you feel like a kid again. A wonderful medicine, crammed full of health bringing qualities. You need Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Get a 25c box today at any dealers.

ENGLISH WAR PLAY IS ENTERTAINING

"The Man Who Stayed at Home," which is the feature photoplay at the Royal Victoria for the balance of this week, afternoon and evening, has just the touch that is needed at the moment, and should do well. It is a play that deals with the German spy system; in fact, this play, without showing any of the horrors of battle, brings home to its audience the fact that this country is actually at war. It should not be missed by any playgoer who loves fine acting and "a thrill." The picture was taken by the Hepworth Company, of England, who secured Dennis Eadie and Alma Taylor, from the Royalty Theatre, to take the star parts.

COLUMBIA THEATRE

An excellent vaudeville bill is being presented at the Columbia for the balance of the week, and will no doubt attract capacity houses, with the weather permitting.

The headliners are two clever Italian vocalists and instrumentalists, billed as the Giustat Duo, who made an instantaneous hit at last night's performances.

Gillard and Roberts, who were featured on the previous bill, have been held over by the management and are offering another side-splitting sketch entitled "Hunting the Moose," which gives Miss Roberts an opportunity for some very clever acting.

William Woolfall, the classic baritone soloist, is no stranger to Victoria audiences, having appeared here about six months ago. From the reception accorded him it is plain to see that he is still a most popular favorite.

Stella Le Claire, the charming soubrette, sang herself into the hearts of the Columbia patrons with a number of well chosen and well rendered selections. The regular Columbia Country Store will be held tonight.

"Sam Scott Suits Boys"

Strong All-Wool Hosiery for Boys

Parents will readily appreciate the value of these fine, black cashmere Hose—one has but to see them to realize their genuine worth.

They are made in 2 and 1 and 4 and 1 rib of pure wool and perfectly fast dye.

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Arthur Lavine & Co., in "FROM CONEY ISLAND TO THE NORTH POLE"
A Condensed Musical Comedy in 3—SCENES—3

HANLON AND CLIFTON

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GREENLEE AND DRAYTON

VALERIE SISTERS

RAYMOND AND BAIN in "Locked Out"

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PRINCESS THEATRE

TONIGHT "THE BARRIER" BY REX BEACH

With Leslie Wallingford and Richard Frasier. Prices: 10c, 20c, 30c. Matinee Saturday, 10c and 20c.

ROYAL VICTORIA Today

Matinee, 2:00 and 3:30. Evenings, 6:30, 8:00 and 9:30.

German Spy System Exposed

"The Man Who Stayed at Home"

or

"The White Feather"

Featuring Dennis Eadie and Alma Taylor, from the Royalty Theatre, London.

Matinee prices, 10c. Evening, 10c, 15c; Loges, 25c.

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Included in these are Wool Dress Goods and Suitings, Silk and Wool Dress Goods, Velvets and Velveteens, Wash Goods in Figured Voiles, Crepes, Muslins, Ginghams, Sheeting, Toweling, Flannelettes, etc.

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If you feel that you can't spare anything; if you feel that it is not up to you to give anything; if you feel that the Victoria boys at the front are asking for charity

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ROYAL VICTORIA THEATRE

3 Nights and Wednesday Matinee Starting MONDAY, JANUARY 31st

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The Girl From Nowhere

With Miss Zara Clinton, Mr. Harry Heyland and Mr. Billy Oswald and an All-Star Cast and Beauty Chorus

"A Gay Galaxy of Girls, Giggles and Gowns."—Vancouver Province.

Night Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c, and $1.00. Wednesday Matinee Prices 25c and 50c. Seats on sale Friday, Jan. 28th.

HARRISON LINE TO AWAIT DEVELOPMENTS

Sailings Between Glasgow and Coast Are Cancelled Pending Definite Advices From Panama Canal Zone.

Pending definite advices from the canal zone as to the probable date of the reopening of the Isthmian waterway to deep-sea traffic, sailings of steamers in the service of the Harrison Direct Line between Glasgow and Liverpool to British Columbia and North Pacific ports, have been cancelled, according to information given out by Balfour, Guthrie & Co., general agents of the line on this Coast.

Recently semi-official statements were made public to the effect that the Panama Canal would be ready for operation again on or about February 15, but later advices from Washington indicate that the reopening will be still further delayed. In view of the uncertainty the Harrison Direct Line has decided to temporarily suspend sailings, as the company is averse to sending ships by the longer route, around by the Straits of Magellan, while there is a possibility of the canal being opened for traffic within a short time.

Director Has been Fixed

The British steamer Director was recently fixed by the Harrison Line to replace the steamer Benefactor in the North Pacific trade, to sail from Glasgow about February 17 but word has been received here that this sailing has now been cancelled. Therefore, in view of the uncertainty as to when the canal will be reopened, there will be no Harrison sailing from Glasgow to Victoria during the month of February.

Toledo Is Coming On

The steamer Crown of Toledo is reported having sailed from Glasgow for this port on January 18, having been slightly delayed at London and Liverpool by labor troubles. She will come out to this Coast by the Magellan route and is expected to arrive here toward the latter part of March.

The freighter Crown of Seville, which has been discharging over 1,200 tons of United Kingdom cargo here, and taking on 50,000 feet of lumber, left port at 6 o'clock yesterday morning for Vancouver. The Harrison Line was hoping to put the freighter Muncian through the canal on her homeward trip. The steamer arrived at Balboa the other day. It is expected she will now be ordered to proceed via Magellan.

WHITE ROCKS BEACON

New Acetylene Lighting Apparatus Installed—Beacon Replaces Buoy at Cyril Rock

British Columbia—(4) Milbank Sound—White Rocks Gas-Lighted Beacon—New Lighting Apparatus.

A new acetylene lighting apparatus has been installed in White Rocks gas beacon.

Former Notice—No. 42 (143) of 1915.

Position—On the westerly White rock Lat. N. 52 deg., 17 min., 15 secs., Long. W. 128 deg., 31 min., 53 secs.

New Characteristic—Occulting white light, visible 0.3 second and eclipsed 2.7 seconds alternately.

Illuminant—Acetylene, compressed in acetone.

British Columbia—(5) Malaspina Strait—Texada Island—Off Grilse Point—Cyril Rock—Beacon Erected—Buoy Discontinued.

Position of Beacon—On Cyril Rock, northward of Grilse Point. Lat. N. 49 deg., 48 min., 23 secs., Long. W. 124 deg., 35 min., 59 secs.

Description — Concrete base, surmounted by a staff carrying a wooden slatwork drum.

Color—White.

Elevation—Top of beacon is 15 feet above high water mark.

Buoy Discontinued—The black spar buoy, heretofore moored northward of Cyril rock, has been withdrawn.

Former Notice—No. 66 (179) of 1904.

Alaska.

Alaskt—(6) Tongass Narrows—Rosa Reef—Light established.

Position—On Rosa Reef, on site of old beacon. Lat. N. 55 deg., 24 min., 26 secs., Long. W. 131 deg., 48 min., 10 secs.

Character of Light—Flashing white every 5 seconds, flash 0.5 second duration.

Elevation—23 feet.

Power—30 candles.

Structure—White wooden house on white pyramidal concrete base.

BLIZZARDS DELAY SKAGWAY STEAMER

Princess May Was a Day Late in Reaching Alaskan Terminal Owing to Dirty Weather

Owing to bad weather in the North, the C. P. R. steamer Princess May was delayed a day in making Skagway from Victoria. She was scheduled to reach the northern terminal on Wednesday, but failed to make it until yesterday. The White Pass and Yukon tracks between Whitehorse and Skagway have been snowed up, and in the hope of a train getting through, the Princess May was held several hours before departing on her southbound voyage. No word has been received here as to whether the line was cleared to permit a train to get through. If connections were not made with the steamer, passengers will have to wait at Skagway for the next boat, sailing on February 2.

MAITAI MISSES TRIP

Union Company Announces That March Sailing From Golden Gate Has Been Eliminated

It is announced by the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand, operators of the Canadian-Australasian Line, that the liner Maitai will not reach San Francisco from Wellington in time to sail on March 1 as originally scheduled. The Maitai is being held at Wellington for an overhauling and will have to miss a trip. As the Australian Government has commandeered so many vessels belonging to the company, there is no other steamer available to put on the run.

It is reported that another vessel is to be added to the San Francisco-Wellington run in April, bringing the number of ships in this service up to three.

"Chilcure" cures chilblains; 25c at druggists, or from E. Percival, Port Washington, B. C.



—Photo by Skene-Lowe.

MR. F. F. PICKARD

Well known Victorian who lost his life when the P. and O. liner Persia was torpedoed in the Mediterranean Sea on December 30. He is seen wearing the uniform of the Royal Indian Marine, with which service he was connected for many years.

SEWARD IS DISABLED IN TERRIFIC STORM

Freighter on First Offshore Voyage Puts Into Alaskan Port With Gear Smashed and Deckload Gone.

SEWARD, Alaska, Jan. 27.—The big American freight steamer Seward, which sailed from Seattle on January 14 with a cargo of railroad supplies and war munitions for the Russian Government, put in at Latouche, Alaska, fifty miles east of here, today with her steering gear disabled and part of her deckload of lumber gone. A wireless message telling of the Seward's plight was received by the steamship Admiral Farragut. The Seward's message said she might have to be towed to port for repairs.

The Seward, according to the message picked up by the Admiral Farragut, encountered a terrific storm, which broke her steering gear. The big freight steamer wallowed helplessly in the seas several hours while huge waves swept over her, tearing loose her deckload of lumber, part of which was carried away. While trying to save the deckload, three members of the crew were washed overboard and were rescued with great difficulty.

Repairs Made at Sea

When the storm abated, temporary repairs were made to the steering gear, enabling the vessel to make her way to shelter at Latouche. The Seward is owned by the Alaska SS. Company of Seattle, and was under charter to Frank Waterhouse & Co. of Seattle. She is a steel ship of 3,390 tons gross register, and carried a cargo of 5,000 tons, including 250 tons of dynamite. She was built five years ago especially for freight service between Seattle and Alaska and was on her first voyage to a foreign port.

WAIRUNA BRINGS SUGAR

Union Company's Steamer Passed Up to Vancouver Yesterday From Suva

With a cargo of Fijian sugar for the B. C. Refinery, the freighter Wairuna, Capt. Hammond, of the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand's cargo fleet, which reached William Head during the night, passed up to Vancouver at 9:30 a.m. yesterday from Suva. After discharging at the refinery it is understood the Wairuna will proceed to Powell River to load paper for Australia. The Wairuna was last on this coast in October, when she loaded at Powell River for Sydney.

TIDES AT VICTORIA

January, 1916

Date	Time. h. m.	Ht. ft.	Time. h. m.	Ht. ft.	Time. h. m.	Ht. ft.	Time. h. m.	Ht. ft.
1			9:45	9.9	18:26	1.8		
2			10:22	10.2	19:12	0.8		
3			11:06	10.5	19:57	-0.2		
4			11:54	10.6	20:41	-0.2		
5			12:45	10.2	21:24	0.0		
6	6:33	9.6	9:14	8.8	13:38	9.0	22:06	0.5
7	6:40	8.6	10:18	7.9	14:35	8.9	22:48	1.3
8	6:52	8.6	11:32	7.3	15:38	8.0	23:30	2.4
9	7:10	8.7	12:57	6.8	16:54	7.0		
10	0:11	3.5	7:33	8.8	14:20	6.7	19:06	6.2
11	0:49	4.7	8:00	8.2	15:44	4.8	22:06	5.9
12	1:16	5.3	8:28	9.0	16:44	4.0		
13			8:55	9.2	17:33	3.3		
14			9:21	9.2	18:14	2.8		
15			9:48	9.2	18:51	2.3		
16			10:16	9.2	19:25	1.9		
17			10:46	9.2	19:57	1.6		
18			11:18	9.1	20:27	1.4		
19			11:52	9.0	20:56	1.4		
20	7:08	8.5	8:56	8.4	12:32	8.8	21:26	1.8
21	7:14	8.3	9:36	8.0	13:16	8.5	21:58	1.9
22	6:57	8.0	10:21	7.6	14:02	8.1	22:32	2.4
23	6:41	7.9	11:16	7.0	14:54	7.5	23:07	3.1
24	6:50	8.0	12:20	6.4	16:06	6.9	23:41	3.9
25	7:01	8.2	12:37	5.6	13:08	6.3		
26	0:10	4.3	7:13	8.5	14:20	4.8	20:38	5.9
27	0:18	5.6	7:26	8.8	15:28	3.8		
28			7:44	9.3	16:24	3.0		
29			8:10	9.7	17:15	2.1		
30			8:52	9.9	18:09	1.4		
31			9:40	10.0	18:55	0.9		

The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water. Where blanks occur in the tables, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tidal periods without turning. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of lower water.

WIRELESS REPORT

(By Government Wireless)

6 p.m.

Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; 29.65; 33; sea smooth.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy; W. light; 29.65; 38; sea smooth. Spoke SS. Jefferson, 9 a.m., Seymour Narrows, southbound.

Pachena—Clear; E.; 29.00; 25; sea smooth.

Estevan—Cloudy; S.E.; 29.47; 28; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Cloudy; S.E. strong; 29.22; 19; heavy swell. Spoke SS. Despatch, 9 a.m., Abeam, southbound; passed in, SS. Chelohsin, 11:45 a.m., southbound; out, SS. Princess Maquinna, 2 p.m., northbound.

Triangle—Overcast; N.E. gale; 29.50; 24; sea rough.

Deadtree Point—Cloudy; calm; 29.88; 30; sea smooth.

Ikeda Bay—Snow; N.W. fresh; 29.46; 17; sea rough. Spoke SS. Venture, 5:30 p.m., northbound.

Prince Rupert—Clear; N.W.; 29.72; 12; sea smooth. Spoke SS. Spokane, 1:30 a.m., [illegible] Prince Rupert 8 a.m.

DERELICT SCHOONER REPEAT IS IN TOW

Steamer Roanoke Reported Nearing Port With Water-Logged Prize, Which Broke Away Twice in Heavy Sea.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27.—After having twice broken away in the heavy sea, the waterlogged schooner Repeat was reported as nearing this port tonight, towed by the steamer Roanoke. The Roanoke finally got a chain hawser aboard to replace the broken rope hawser, and she was reported as making fair progress.

The Roanoke found the Repeat off Tillamook early today, abandoned, her deck load partly gone, but with her lifeboats still intact and her rigging in fair condition. She was riding low, but her lumber cargo made it impossible for her to sink. The Roanoke put a prize crew aboard, and after standing by for several hours, took the derelict in tow. According to tonight's report, there was excellent prospect of bringing the Repeat safely into harbor. The captain and crew of the Repeat, who abandoned her yesterday off the coast when it seemed she was hopelessly wrecked, were still at South Bend, Wash., tonight, where they were landed by the steamer Avalon.

Abandoned in Heavy Gale

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Jan. 27.—The Repeat carried a cargo of 503,000 feet of mixed lumber and fifty long cedar poles, bound for Honolulu from Port Ludlow, Wash.

Last Friday a 94-mile gale hit the sailing craft, and all of Friday and Saturday Capt. McKenzie and his crew battled with the storm and seas that rolled high over the schooner.

The vessel ran full last Friday and Saturday. Capt. McKenzie tried to get the Repeat into the course of passing steamers for two days, and finally the black smoke of the Avalon was sighted. The steamer, answering distress signals of the sailing craft, went to her assistance, and soon had a hawser aboard. The sinking schooner was then towed toward shore until 4 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. At daylight no volunteer crew could be induced to go aboard the vessel.

Capt. McKenzie signalled the Avalon to take him off, and the request was granted on Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Forward Deckload Shifted

The deckload had shifted forward, flooding the forecastle waist deep. The Avalon stood by until 8 o'clock yesterday morning. At noon the steamer met the tug Oneonta on her way to attempt to salve the derelict, but Capt. McKenzie has little hope of saving either the vessel or cargo.

Capt. McKenzie lost his books and the greater part of his personal effects, and members of the crew lost their clothing and some of their money.

The Repeat is owned by Lowers & Cook, Limited, of Honolulu. She is a vessel of 460 tons gross, 149.6 feet long. Capt. McKenzie has been her master for five years. Usually he has taken his family on voyages between the Sound and Honolulu, but this time left them in Honolulu. So great was the storm, he says, that it crushed all of the partitions out of the cabin and drove the crew from the forecastle.

The Repeat's lifeboats were crushed, and the captain and crew had to be taken off in the Avalon's small boats.

ADMIRAL STORY IS BACK FROM OTTAWA

Conferred With Departmental Heads on Matters Pertaining to Coast Defences—Was Snow-Bound in Mountains.

Rear-Admiral Story, superintendent of the Esquimalt naval dockyard, returned to Victoria on Tuesday after an absence of five weeks in the East. While in Ottawa he conferred with the heads of the Department of Naval Service, and among other things discussed matters pertaining to the organization and operation of the naval defences on this coast. During his stay in the East, Admiral Story took the opportunity of visiting his home near the capital. He is convinced that the weather conditions in Ontario are more moderate than on the Coast.

Almost on Short Rations

The train on which he crossed the mountains on his return journey was snowbound for three days at Spence's Bridge. The food supply on the train ran short and but for the fact that the fast diminishing stocks of provisions were replenished through the generosity of the people in that sparsely settled district, the Admiral and the rest of the passengers might have been placed on short rations. It was an unusual experience for him and he thoroughly enjoyed it. Concerts were held in the town hall at Spence's Bridge, and everything possible was done by the population to relieve the monotony of the long wait while the track was being cleared.

Admiral Story reached Vancouver on the first delayed train and crossed to Esquimalt aboard the naval patrol steamer Galiano.

NO INSURANCE ON KENKON MARU'S HULL

Cargo Carried by Stranded Japanese Freighter Is Covered by American Firms

VANCOUVER, B.C., Jan. 27.—Captain Y. Yamaguchi, of the wrecked Japanese steamer Kenkon Maru No. 2, was here yesterday calling on Mitsui & Co. It transpires that not a cent of insurance was carried on the Kenkon Maru's hull. The cargo, consisting of box cars chiefly, was insured by American firms, and Canadian underwriters have not been hit. No insurance was placed on the hull, however.

The Kenkon Maru bumped over two reefs and brought up on the inner side of a third reef. It appears that the foremast has been set up 18 inches, and also the fore and aft sounding pipes, and there are indications which lead shipping men to believe the tanks have been set up. It is known that part of the bottom is gone, and that the vessel lifts at high tide. About 30 feet from the wreck the divers reported finding a piece of keel, but it is thought this is part of the casting of the stern post, which is a serious thing to lose. J. E. Harvey, of Waterhouse & Co., is looking after the reception of the cargo as it is salved.

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Week-End Bargains From Our January Sale of House-Furnishings

Sale of Girls "Classic" Shoes

Sizes 8 1-2 to 1 1-2. Regular $3.00 pair. January Sale, pair $2.50

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New Cotton Crepes Are Here

Splendid quality in a good range of colors, including many shades of blue, navy, pinks, rose, lavender and white. 28 inches wide. Price, yard .... 20¢

From the Bargain Basement

Knitted Underwear for women. A new shipment in best style. Per Garment, 15c, 25c and .... 35¢
Stockings for Boys. "Rock Rib" brand. All sizes. Price, per pair .... 25¢
Turkish Towels, in white or brown. Price, pair .... 25¢
White Cashmere Duck, 28 in. wide, per yard .... 20¢

Hemstitched Voiles and Marquisettes

Here's an offering that we are not likely to duplicate for some time—a choice of two-thread mercerised Marquisette, ribbon-edge, hemstitched, double border; tape-edge Voile, stencilled border; mercerise Marquisette, double-stencilled border; rich cream, scalloped and plain edge Madras Muslins. Reg. 35c, 39c, 50c to 65c values. Sale 29c

Special Values in Fine Turkish Towels

These are all well made, in a fine, close weave of heavy cotton. They form the finest towel value that we have ever offered; prices according to sizes, per pair 20c, 30c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, $1

A Sale of Sample Millinery Trimmings Suitable for Spring Wear

A large assortment of flowers, motifs, feather mounts and other novelties too numerous to describe, and in a wide range of colorings will be offered at half their regular values. Sale prices 15c to .... 75¢

Superior Value in Corsets

Well made, in tre newest styles too. The material is a strong coutil, trimmed with a dainty silk embroidery, and fitted with four hose supporters. They are medium high bust and medium skirt, being very suitable for the average figure. All sizes. Price...... $1.50

January Sale of Cotton Filled Comforters at Reduced Prices

An assortment of beautiful colorings in a wide variety of designs. The covers are made of fine silkoline and the filling is of layers of finest cotton. They are beautiful and warm, and yet very light.

Regular price, $3.50. January Sale price $2.95
Regular price, $4.00. January Sale price $3.60
Regular price, $4.50. January Sale price $3.95

Many Beautiful Silk Dresses to Clear Out At $12.75

This assortment of pretty dresses should attract widespread attention at such a small price. The styles are smart and varied—the materials including messaline, charmeuse and taffeta, with trimmings of organdie, shadow and other sheer laces. Colors to choose from, saxe, navy black, lavender and tan.

Colored Madras, Cable Nets, Fine Lace, Voile, Etamine, Marquisette

A great clean-up of all our better-grade goods. Dozens of choice new styles to select from, suitable for dining-rooms, living-rooms or bedrooms, dark and light colored Madras, fine English lace, strong cable nets, ribbon-edge fancy Voile, H. S. Etamine, novelty Marquisettes. Reg. 65c, 75c, $1.00 to $1.25 values. Sale price, yard .... 50¢

Odd Lines of Handbags to Clear at Special Prices

Included in this lot are bags of many shapes and various leather finishes with white metal, oxidized and gun-metal tops. They are grouped into four lots to sell at these special prices. $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.75

IXION LEAVES TONIGHT

Blue Funnel Liner Is Completing the Discharge of 1,800 Tons of Oriental Freight

The Blue Funnel liner Ixion, Capt. Stout, arrived in port from Seattle early yesterday morning, and is discharging 1,800 tons of Oriental cargo at the Outer Docks. She will complete today and sail tonight for Vancouver, where she will put off the remainder of her inward cargo.

Early next week the Ixion will shift to Union Bay for bunkers and will then return to Puget Sound to load for the outward trip to the Far East.

CANADA MARU OUTWARD

Osaka Shosen Kaisha Liner Leaving This Evening for Ports in the Orient

Taking out a capacity cargo and a big list of passengers, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Canada Maru will leave Victoria this evening on her twenty-first outward voyage to the Orient. She is expected to reach here from Seattle about 5 p.m. to ship mails and embark passengers, putting to sea about two hours later for Yokohama.

Notice to Mariners

Mariners are advised that the Middle Rock Beacon, Victoria Harbor, has been rebuilt and will be put in operation on February 1, 1916, the new position for this being 300 feet southeast of Pelly Islet. The beacon will consist of a pile platform supporting a pole with a wooden slatwork drum painted black with the lantern on top. The light will be a fixed white electric light and is connected to the end of Mary Street by a submarine cable. The temporary black platform buoy will then be discontinued. Mariners are also advised that all the aids in the Fraser River as far as Steveston are unreliable owing to the extreme weather conditions, and mariners must govern themselves accordingly.

COLONIST SHIPPING GUIDE

OCEAN VESSELS.

Steamers to Arrive

Manila Maru, from Hong Kong....Feb. 5
Tacoma Maru, from Hong Kong....Feb. 7
Ide Maru, from Shanghai..........Feb. 8
Makura, from Sydney..............Feb. 10
Sado Maru, from Hong Kong........Feb. 10
Hawaii Maru, from Hong Kong......Feb. 16
Empress of Japan, from Hong Kong Feb. 22
Awa Maru, from Hong Kong.........Feb. 24
Mexico Maru, from Hong Kong......Feb. 28
Shidzuoka Maru, from Hong Kong...Mar. 3
Monteagle, from Hong Kong........Mar. 10
Chicago Maru, from Hong Kong.....Mar. 18
Crown of Toledo, from Glasgow....Mar. 20
Kamakura Maru, from Hong Kong....Mar. 25
Canada Maru, from Hong Kong......Apr. 1
Tamba Maru, from Hong Kong.......Apr. 6
Empress of Russia, from Hong Kong Apr. 8
Empress of Asia, from Hong Kong..May 7

Steamers in Port

Ixion, BY. str. ....from Hong Kong

Steamers to Sail

Canada Maru, for Hong Kong.......Jan. 28
Yokohama Maru, for Hong Kong.....Feb. 4
Tacoma Maru, for Hong Kong.......Feb. 17
Sado Maru, for Hong Kong.........Feb. 22
Empress of Japan, for Hong Kong..Mar. 5
Hawaii Maru, for Hong Kong.......Mar. 6
Awa Maru, for Hong Kong..........March 7
Shidzuoka Maru, for Hong Kong....Mar. 17
Monteagle, for Hong Kong.........Mar. 18
Mexico Maru, for Hong Kong.......Mar. 24
Empress of Russia, for Hong Kong Apr. 25

Steamers Sailed

Tottenham, for Hong Kong..........Dec. 8
Awa Maru, for Hong Kong...........Dec. 16
Hawaii Maru, for Hong Kong........Dec. 21
Makura, for Sydney................Dec. 22
Shidzuoka Maru, for Hong Kong.....Dec. 26
Empress of Japan, for Hong Kong...Jan. 1
Chicago Maru, for Hong Kong.......Jan. [illegible]
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OAK BAY RED CROSS

Suburban Branch Sends $800 to Victoria Headquarters—Many Supplies Are Made

A meeting of the Oak Bay branch of the Red Cross Society was held last week. The treasurer reported two new life membership certificates had been paid for by Messrs. J. C. and E. L. Curtis, and he was authorized to issue a cheque to the Victoria branch for $800.

A report of the work which had been done since January 3 was presented, which states that the following articles had been made: Day shirts, 69; hospital shirts, 36; pajamas, 25; scultetees, 90; binders, 90; slings, 18; knee bandages, 6; wash rags, 14; bed socks, 4 pairs; wristlets, 5 pairs; socks, 23 pairs; hospital slippers, 14 pairs.

Among the many helping at the rooms are the following: Miss Johnston, Miss Gilmer, Miss Keay, Miss McClure, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Atkins, Miss Galletley, Mrs. Crompton, Mrs. Harkness, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Money, Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Neame, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Nichol, Mrs. Timberly, Miss M. Mackie, Mrs. Little, Mrs. Gillespie, Miss Sterling, Mrs. Lukes, Mrs. Gowen, Mrs. Troughton, Mrs. Blythe, Mrs. Sim, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Oliver, Mrs. O. M. Jones, Miss Du Bois, Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. Kingscote, Miss Atkins, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Handley, Miss Macdonald, Mrs. Hodgins, Mrs. Goepel, Miss Proctor, Mrs. Fison, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Grayson, Miss M. MacKay, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Fletcher, Miss Ethel Shaw, Miss C. Dilworth, Miss Suttaby, Mrs. Mayers, Mrs. Dexter, Mrs. Trotter, Mrs. Leiser, Miss Renton, Miss Payne, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Nason, Mrs. Nichol, Mrs. Gurney, Mrs. Bush, Mrs. Dodds, Mrs. Lange, Mrs. Casey, Mrs. W. Todd, Mrs. J. D. Macdonald, Mrs. Rolly, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Dill, Mrs. Robbins, Mrs. Boyes, Mrs. McB. Smith, Mrs. Doe, Mrs. Small, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Loewen, Miss Pitts, Mrs. Shallcross, Miss M. Pitts, Mrs. Adams, Miss Watson, Mrs. Proctor, Mrs. Coulson, Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Fell, Mrs. Casey, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. Walton, Mrs. Rendell, Miss McLimont, Mrs. Nason, Mrs. J. Angus, Mrs. Hibberson, Mrs. Rendell, Mrs. Niven, Miss Lloyd, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Hamilton, Miss Clarence Hobbs, Miss Greta Cormiston, Mrs. Mathew Perry, Mrs. Daniel, Miss Oliver Campbell, Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. Mitchell, Miss Lawson, Miss Alexander, Mrs. Harry Briggs, Mrs. Laundy, Miss Ruth Jones, Mrs. Snell, Miss Williamson and Miss Cowley.

The committee regrets very much the departure of Mrs. Lay, who has been one of the most active workers.

WANTS MR. MACDONALD AS LIBERAL LEADER

Vancouver Candidate Urges His Election—Salary Now Provided for Opposition Chief

Something in the nature of a political expose took place in Vancouver on Tuesday evening, when Mr. J. S. Cowper, one of the Liberal candidates in that constituency, made an obvious effort to give an impetus to the movement to wrest the leadership from the hands of Mr. H. C. Brewster and bestow it upon Mr. M. A. Macdonald, who has been chosen to contest the seat against Mr. Tisdall, Minister of Public Works, should there be a by-election. Mr. Cowper is thus quoted in The Vancouver Sun:

"I congratulate Premier Bowser, too, that the alarmist rumors in regard to his health are unfounded, and that he is soon to return to the fray restored in health. Mr. Bowser is fast coming round to our way of thinking and has already paid us the compliment of helping himself to many of our reforms. Four years ago, when we were arguing that in the interest of good government an active opposition should be sent to Victoria, Mr. Bowser bent the full strength of his efficient political machine to exterminate the last vestige of Liberal opposition in the Legislature. Today he is a wiser man. With no restraining voice to call a halt, the Government entered on an era of drunken-sailor finance. Now Mr. Bowser not only realizes the need of an opposition, but he has provided a salary for the leader of the opposition. The best service any voter can do at the present juncture is to accept the hint of Premier Bowser and send Mr. Macdonald to Victoria to help restore the balance of this lop-sided Government." (Laughter.)

Mr. Cowper's coupling up of a reference to the salary for the leader of the opposition and the need of electing Mr. Macdonald is held to point to a desire on the part of a certain section of the Provincial Liberal party to supplant Mr. Brewster in the leadership.

THE TIME BALL

The time ball on the Belmont Building will be raised half-mast high at 12:45 p.m., to the top at 12:55 p.m., and will be dropped at 1 p.m. daily.

F. NAPIER DENISON,
Superintendent.

The Observatory,
Gonzale Heights.

ECONOMY AT HOME

Outlays Last Year on Old Men's Institution Show Reduction From Previous Year

The annual report of Mr. J. McL. McIntosh, manager of the Old Men's Home, has been prepared. It shows that during the year 1915 six inmates were admitted to the home, five were removed by death, and the number being cared for at present is 48. Expenditures for the year aggregated $12,875, made up as follows: Manager's salary, $916; assistant's salary, $180; provisions, $7,745; fuel and light, $712; clothing, $278; furniture, $730; medicine, $549; sundries, $1,170. Despite the fact that the estimated outlay for the year was curtailed $1,000 from the previous year a saving on the year's operations to the amount of $335 was made.

Improvements to the grounds of the home were effected, and while the attempt to utilise a portion of the grounds for the production of potatoes was not a financial success, a considerable quantity of vegetables were produced for the use of the inmates. The thanks of the manager are extended to the Misses Hart and Andrews, and Messrs. Wright Hill, Morrison, Lee and others, and to the Salvation for the religious services conducted at the home, and to the Victoria Christian Endeavor Societies, Victoria West Dramatic Society, Queen of the Island Ladies' Orange Society, Ladies of the Maccabees, Mr. T. Obee and others, for entertainments and concerts provided on many occasions—events much enjoyed by the inmates of the home.

PRACTISE SELF-DENIAL TO MEET CHURCH DEBT

Members of Fairfield Methodist Church Start Campaign to Pay Interest and Sum Assessed

Members of the Fairfield Methodist Church, of which the Rev. A. E. Osterhout is pastor, are being asked to raise $600 within the next two months to meet the interest payments and taxes which are due on the property of the church at Fairfield Road and Moss Street.

To raise the required sum of money before April a special campaign committee has been formed. The work will be under the charge of Mr. T. E. Mariner, 1248 Faithful Street, a local financial man. It is proposed that each member of the church practise some form of self-denial for the next few weeks to save five dollars for the cause. As there are more than one hundred regular members of the church, this would pay off the interest due. Other members of the church propose to raise their share of the money by holding sales of work and social evenings.

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THERE are still a number of men available for kalsomining and garden work. Phone 1637. Municipal Free Labor Bureau.

TO facilitate the working of the Municipal Free Labor Bureau it is urgently requested by the management that all applicants seeking work directly at your home or place of business be referred to this Bureau for registration.

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FOR Sale—Lot 14, block J, Fairfield; price $1100; $200 cash, balance arranged to suit purchaser. Write G. D. Connell, "The Paxton," Missoula, Montana.

PROPERTY WANTED

WANTED—Lots in city limits at bargain prices; low taxes. H. D. Miller & Co., Ltd., 1603 Douglas.

AGENTS WANTED

AGENTS—"World's Greatest War" going like a whirlwind. Sample book and Christmas Catalogue free on promise to canvass. Experience unnecessary. Make seven dollars daily. Bradley-Garretson, Brantford, Ont.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

DAIRY Farm for sale, near Duncan. Apply owner, Box 561 Duncan, B. C.

FARM as going concern, 160 acres, good soil, water, fruit; house, outbuildings, farm machinery, 35 head livestock; near to Victoria and in excellent district, on good highway. Box 1394, Colonist.

SACRIFICE lot 50x142, fenced and cultivated; fruit trees; half minute to Willows car. $800; cost $1,250. Apply 2350 Lee Ave.

ACREAGE WANTED

WANTED—Small ranch near Victoria, or larger one further out in exchange for modern 8-room house at Alhambra suburb of Los Angeles. Price $6,000; mortgage, $2,750; complete details on application. Might arrange difference in cash or cross mortgages. Apply Lillooet & Cariboo Land Co'y, Ltd., 429 Pender St., Vancouver, B.C.

WANTED—To purchase 100 to 300 acres suitable for stock grazing. Box 1309 Colonist.

WE are specialists on farm lands and can dispose of yours if the price is right. Coast Builders, 306 Union Bank.

HOUSES FOR SALE

A CHOICE bungalow home in Fairfield, complete in every detail. A bargain. Box 1381, Colonist.

A GENUINE bargain, well-built 8-room house (new), oak floors, built-in fixtures, beamed and panelled, fireplace, full basement; lot fenced; situated in Oak Bay, near sea; cost $6,500, mortgage $5,000; will sell equity for $1,500. A splendid home. Owner. Box 1405, Colonist.

FOR Sale—Esquimalt, Fraser Street, near car, 6-room modern house. Box 1294, Colonist.

FOR Sale—Esquimalt, Lampson Street, 12-room house, and over acre well laid out grounds; tennis lawn; price, $10,000; terms. Apply 941 Esquimalt Road.

FOR Sale—$1,100 equity in good 4-room house; lot 50x120, garden and chicken house, for $300 cash; balance $900 at $20 per month; 943 Nicholson St., off Arcadia.

MISCELLANEOUS

A FIVE-Passenger Ford for hire, with driver, by the hour, day or week; rates reasonable. Phone 3928Y.

C. P. COX, piano and organ tuner; graduate school for the blind, Halifax. 159 South Turner Street. phone 1212L.

GET that piano tuned by certified expert; over 30 years factory experience. Reduced to $2. Phone 4141.

HAVE you furniture for sale, if so ring up 4582O.

MRS. PEASE'S Devonshire cream, fresh daily, at Master's Bakery.

PLUMBING repairs; phone 852. Colbert's

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

A BIG Snap—Second-hand heaters, good ones, cheap. Eastern Stove Company, 848 Fort Street.

ALL Black Soil and Manure delivered. Phone 1864.

ATTENTION, Please! The Magnet Auction and Furniture Sale Rooms are now removed to 650 Fort (Old Campbell Block), corner Douglas and Fort.

CORDWOOD—Fir and alder 1¼ cords, $5. Phone 460L2.

CRYSTAL for sale; mystical entertainer; highest offer accepted. Box 1386, Colonist.

ENGLISH billiard table; new, Burroughs & Watts; cost $700; what offers? Box 1320 Colonist.

FEW articles furniture, cheap; stoves, carpets, etc. 1121 Mackenzie Street, Fairfield.

FINEST roots of rhubarb, raspberries, wineberries, loganberries, three for 25c; black and red cherry currant yearlings 25c; largest phenomenal blackberries, herbs and ever-bearing strawberry plants, 75c per 100; M. M. Rudd, Buena Vista, Burnside Road. Phone 1938R1; or Market Stall 14.

FOR Sale—5,000 Pingree shares; a snap for cash. Box 1312 Colonist.

FOR Sale—The best paying poolroom and cigar stand in town, with long lease, and half cost price. For quick sale. Box 1282, Colonist.

FOR Sale—30x6 open launch frame, ready for planking; can be seen set up; going cheap. Phone 4167R.

FOR Sale—150 cords dry wood at Saanichton Station. W. Thomson, Saanichton.

HEATERS, cheapest in Victoria; exchanges made. Eastern Stove Co., 848 Fort Street.

HEATERS—New Heaters at second-hand prices; a few left which we want to clear. Colbert, 755 Broughton Street; just below new theatre.

JERSEY milk, 30c gallon. Box 1295, Colonist.

JUST One Big Family—Join us; $1.10 a day and all found. If you're married your wife receives $20 monthly from the Government and something extra for each child, apart from what you give her; 88th Fusiliers, corner Yates and Douglas, or Willows Camp.

MILL wood, $2.75 double load. Phone 3303R.

MALLEABLE steel ranges, $1 down and $1 per week. 2001 Government Street.

ONE beautiful cutter. Apply British America Paint Co., Ltd.

PETALUMA incubator, 250 size, splendid condition. Brown, private road, Mount Tolmie side University School.

RUSSIAN ermine for sale. Royal Russian ermine stole, 2½ yards long, $30; value $125. Apply Murdoch's, Pandora Mart.

SALE—Fur motor rug, lined, $15; hair seal and coyote coat, $10; lady's ulster, new; garnet brooches and bracelet, mounted in gold; diamond pin; grandfather's clock. Ladies' Superfluities Committee, Canadian Red Cross Society, Belmont House. Phone 4123.

SOUTHALL for stoves and ranges, next to Dominion Theatre, Yates Street. Coils made and connected; old stoves bought. Phone 4229R.

THINK of Miss Cavell, the Lusitania and the Ancona; then stop thinking and join the 88th. Corner Yates and Douglas or Willows Camp.

THREE Alaska bob sleds, ten-footers, made of hickory. Eastern Stove Co., 848 Fort Street.

18-FOOT launch hull, also 8 h.p. 2-cylinder engine, cheap, or exchange. 224 Superior St.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

A CHANCE to get cash for old gold and any old jewelry, watches and diamonds. M. Stern, 609 Yates Street. Phone 4810.

ATTENTION—Highest prices paid for old clothing, shoes, etc. Phone 2192; 1324 Government Street.

BEST price paid for discarded clothes, shoes, etc. 641 Johnson Street. Phone 4431L. We call at any address.

BICYCLES—Best price given. 944 Fort.

CASH—Paid diamonds, platinum and solid gold jewelry of every description. Room 216 Sayward Building, Douglas Street. Hours 9 to 6.

CORDWOOD Wanted—50 or 100 cords; cash. Walker, 829 Old Esquimalt Road.

DIAMONDS wanted from ½ karat up. Box 1334, Colonist.

HIGHEST prices paid for gent's castoff clothing. Give me a trial. Phone 2067. A. Landa, Prop.

IF you do not deal with us, we both lose money; highest prices paid for rubber, rags, copper, brass, lead, zinc, etc. Please ring up at once, and get ready cash. Phone 3702, Alaska Junk Co., 1421 Store Street; corner Cormorant.

SINGLE tube bicycle tires, pair, 28 inch; state price and condition. Box 1386, Colonist.

WANTED—All good citizens of Victoria to know that The Magnet Auction and Furniture Sale Rooms are now removed to 650 Fort Street (Old Campbell Block), corner Douglas and Fort.

WANTED—One set of heavy cart harness (dump cart); must be in first-class condition and complete; state lowest price to Box 1400 Colonist.

WANTED—Second-hand tools of all descriptions. Phone 3702, Alaska Junk Co., 1421 Store Street; corner Cormorant.

WANTING to buy 5-room house of furniture. Phone 1879.

WANTED to purchase, small bindery plant in good condition. Address Librarian, Public Library, Victoria.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

WANTED—Two skiffs; must be in good condition; will pay cash. Box 1467, Colonist.

WANTED—500 second-hand bicycles; any condition. Box 899 Colonist.

WANTED—We have inquiries for the following: Violin, fishing rod, telescope, gramophone, earrings, old china. Will anyone kindly donate these to the Ladies' Superfluities Committee, Canadian Red Cross Society, Belmont House? Phone 4123.

500,000 EMPTY sacks in any quantity wanted. D. Louis, 919 Caledonia Ave. Phone 3498.

TO RENT—MISCELLANEOUS

FREE rent, free meals and a free passage to Europe and back, and a chance to do your bit for your country's cause. Join the 88th family today. Corner Yates and Douglas or Willows Camp.

WANTED TO RENT—MISCEL.

WANTED to rent, with option of purchase, a billiard hall business; state size of equipment, terms, etc. Six years experience in the business. J. W. Miller, South Hill Billiard Hall, Moose Jaw, Sask.

ROOM AND BOARD

ABERDEEN—941 McClure Street; officers training will find comfortable home quarters. Phone 1019.

A COSY room offered to gentleman, in private English home; moderate terms; close in. Phone 1155Y.

AVONTEUER, 634 Michigan Street, private board and lodging for gentlemen, in furnace heated house, situated in large grounds with tennis court, five minutes from P. O. and half block from park. English billiard table. Terms very moderate.

COMFORTABLE room and board, furnace heat, reasonable; close in. 615 Vancouver St. Phone 2820X.

REFINED home $5.50 weekly. Phone 1678L.

821 BURDETT Avenue, opposite Cathedral, furnished rooms; board optional. Phone 1097L.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS

BELLEVUE Hotel, 724 Yates Street; a limited number of housekeeping rooms, all modern conveniences; reasonable rates.

HOUSEKEEPING and bedrooms, from $5 month up. Bath and phone. 734 Humboldt Street.

HOUSEKEEPING rooms, $6 up; 1178 Fort Street; phone 4097L.

TWO comfortable rooms, bathroom; moderate. Phone 1413.

521 SIMCOE, housekeeping rooms, cheap.

FLATS OR APARTMENTS

A BEAUTIFULLY clean furnished flat, heated. Normandie Apts. Phone 1799L.

A COUPLE of furnished suites, two and three rooms, available this week. Savoy Mansions.

AT Mount Edwards, Vancouver Street, furnished and unfurnished suites; large rooms; close in; car fares saved.

FURNISHED Apartments, Beacon Hill Park; modern, reasonable. Phone R2866

MOUNTVIEW Apartments — Fairfield; large suite, $5 monthly. Campbell Bros. 1007 Government Street.

PARKView Apartments—4-room flats to rent; all modern; good view; at $10; 928 Bay Street.

TWO furnished flats, one 3 rooms, the other 4 rooms; all conveniences. Apply 423 Parry Street, James Bay.

FOR RENT—HOUSES

FOUR-room house, 250 Howe Street. Apply 1419 Harrison Street.

FOR Rent—Four-room modern bungalow, with basement, Nicholson Street, Craigflower Road, near car line and Gorge, rent $10 per month. Apply post-office, Craigflower Road. Phone 4730.

FOR Rent—1791 Haultain Street, $6, to reliable tenant. P. R. Brown, Broad Street.

MODERN house $8. Agents, Lee & Fraser.

SIX-room house, close in (new). Apply 1054 Burdett Avenue.

TO Let—Six-room house. 750 Market St.

TO Let—2635 Blanshard Street, near Hillside car line, 6-room house, with bath, toilet, best linoleum in every room, electric light fixtures complete, large woodshed; rent cheap. Lee Dye & Co., 715 View Street. Phone 134.

TO Rent—A 3-room cottage, off Burnside Road, $5 per month. Apply 549 Beta Street.

5 ROOMS, First Street; 7 rooms, Shelbourne, with furnace, $8. Campbell's, 1007 Government St.

WANTED TO RENT—HOUSES

SEVEN or 8-roomed house, unfurnished, within 15 minutes P. O.; or will trade with property further out. Phone 2259.

WANTED—Four or 5-roomed clean, modern house, with basement, near Hillside and Quadra; low rent. Box 1029 Colonist.

FURNISHED HOUSES TO LET

BEAUTIFULLY furnished home, close in, plate, linen, gas, furnace, garage, $35. Phone 1185L.

FULLY furnished, modern 8-room house, Linden Avenue, for rent. Apply H. D. Miller & Co., Ltd. 1603 Douglas Street.

NEW, modern house of ten rooms, with garage; centrally located. Phone 3444.

TO Let—Furnished bungalow, piano, telephone, and all modern conveniences; on car line, near Beacon Hill Park. Apply phone 1158L.

AUTOMOBILES

AUTOMOBILE radiator specialist. J. Market, 1916 Oak Bay Ave.

AUTOMOBILES for Sale—1912 Ford, late model Ford truck; 1912 Hudson; Studebaker; 1912 Buick; Overland (will take a Ford in trade). Cameron, 521 Superior, behind Parliament Bldgs.

FOR Sale—Five-passenger Ford in good running order. Phone 2400L.

FOR Sale—Five-passenger car, 36 h. p., good condition; cheap for cash. Phone 3808.

FOR Sale—1913 Ford 5-passenger; new coil, presto tank, etc.; Ford Runabout Attwater-Kent ignition, electric headlights, etc.; Ford truck, suitable for general delivery; all in excellent order and run like new. Davie's Garage, 617 Vancouver Street. Phone 2933.

HUDSON, late model, cost $2,650; owner is forced to sell for $375; guaranteed to be in perfect running order. May be seen at Cameron's, 521 Superior Street.

ONE 1912 English Landaulette in perfect condition, worm drive, rear axle beautifully sprung; cheap for cash. Phone 4632. Cameron Motor Co., 1052 Fort Street.

1914 36 Chalmers, perfect condition, cheap; 1912 36 Chalmers, $450; Everitt, $275; 1912 Ford, $275; Buick, $125. Phone 4632. Cameron Motor Co., 1052 Fort Street.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—A black Gordon Setter dog, answers to the name of Jordan. Reward will be paid for information that will lead to his recovery, dead or alive. L. J. Camsusa, 1330 Yates St.

LOST—Between Foul Bay and city, straw colored crocheted bag, with yellow silk lining. Reward. Carter & McKenzie, View Street, new Spencer Block.

LOST—Between Royal Victoria Theatre and Esquimalt, Fitch muff; reward. Box 1626, Colonist.

LOST—Mohair slip cover for automobile, on Dallas Road, Ontario, Menzies or Superior Streets, James Bay. Finder will receive reward by leaving at 1615 Store St.

LOST—On Friday afternoon, $10 bill. Finder please phone 1208.

LOST—Saturday night, meerschaum pipe, between Yates and Broad and Moss and May Street. Reward, 625 Yates.

REWARD—$10 offered for information who the two lads were that removed 14-foot boat from beach opposite Menzies Street, Dallas Road, and paddled same around breakwater to Outer Wharf on Tuesday afternoon, the 18th inst. Phone 4068R.

STRAYED, two weeks ago, from Johnson Street, black and white Japanese spaniel, blind in one eye. Reward. Mrs. McSorley, Empress Hotel.

BUSINESS CHANCES

CANADIAN patent for electric light switch; best ever invented; must sell on account of poor health. Box 1226 Colonist.

HALF interest in going, outdoor business; $150 required; married man preferred. Phone 4197R.

HAVE $1,000 cash and good auto; would like to use both in some business in which own services could be applied. Box 1404 Colonist.

PARTNER for paying business in Victoria, with $1,000 for investment; confidential. Box 1427, Colonist.

VANCOUVER, B. C., private boarding school for girls, for sale, established about seven years, 23 regular pupils; rent $20. Full price for furnishing of house and school, $700 cash. Lady has to go immediately to England. The school is on good paying basis. A. Scott, Business Broker, 404 Homer St., Vancouver, B. C.

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK

A FEW purebred laying pullets, cockerels and year-old breeders for sale, cheap. Also 220-egg incubator, as new, $8; new Petaluma brooder, $15; Green bone machine, $5. 430 Dallas Road, city.

BEAUTIFUL singing canaries; 1350 Bay Street.

CANARIES—Singers, $2.50; hens, 75c.; W. J. Palmer, 1401 Monterey Avenue.

FOR Sale—A first-class four-gallon cow; will freshen this month. Phone 20, Colquitz.

FOR Sale—English bull pups; high pedigree. J. Slingerland, Royal Oak P. O.

FOR Sale—Good laying strain of Buttercups; reasonable price. Deighton, Langford Station, B. C.

FOR Sale—One Holstein cow, five gallons when fresh; coming in early in April; also one heifer, calved two months. J. Slingerland, Royal Oak.

FOR Sale—Registered Holstein bull, Abberkerk of Tunnycroft, No. 15071, age 3 yrs. 2 mos. This is one of the finest imported bulls on Island. Also dry cows, genuine dairy type, near calving. Day & Roberts, P. O. Box 842. Phone 403. Any dairyman wishing to improve his stock should not miss this unique opportunity.

FOR Sale—Registered Jersey cow, age 3½ years, bred to Jersey bull, to calve in April; price $125. Apply P. O. Gray, Metchosin P. O., or phone 2471R4.

IF you have live stock, chickens, etc., for sale, ship to or write City Market Auction, Victoria. Phone 2484. Prompt cash returns.

L. F. SOLLY, Lakeview Poultry Farm, Westholme, B. C., breeder of vigorous laying strains of White Leghorns and White Wyandottes. Order now for Spring delivery. Day-old chicks and hatching eggs. Write for illustrated catalogue containing valuable information on raising chickens and feeding fowls.

POULTRY of all kinds in large or small quantities, wanted. Phone 4344. Highest cash price paid.

PUPPY wanted, under 9 months; Aberdeen Terrier, Newfoundland or St. Bernard; must be dog; reasonable price. Write to Miss Hook, Cobble Hill. Phone X5.

WANTED—About 50 ewes for cash. Box 1308, Colonist.

WANTED—Sound, active horse, about 1,600 lbs. Lowest cash price. 823 Old Esquimalt Road.

WANTED—Small flock of geese, harness and rig. Exchange young mammoth turkey gobbler for hen. Price and particulars to Box 1424, Colonist.

WE will buy your live poultry, ducks, etc., pay highest cash price. Phone 5019L.

YOUNG pigs for sale, six weeks old. Apply W. J. Houlihan, Gordon Head.

WANT TO EXCHANGE

CLEAR title lot in exchange for good horse and cart. L. T. Jones, Maywood.

EXCHANGE or sale, furnished or unfurnished large 8-room house, five bedrooms, modern, garage, lot 110x112; beautiful garden, fenced, cost $10,000; mortgage $4,000, or will sell cheap or exchange farm land, Saskatchewan. Box 1403, Colonist.

WE specialise in exchanging all classes of property; 600 trades to choose from. Campbell Bros., 1007 Government Street.

WILL exchange 320 acres good Alberta farm land for Coast property and some cash; or would consider shares in industrial, trust or mining company. Box 1056, Colonist.

WILL give three good lots in city, size 140x122, for two lots, level and cleared, Laurel Street or thereabout. Write "S," P. O. Box 619, Victoria.

CROFT & ASHBY

Phone 2998—634 View Street—P. O. Box 900

TIMBER Lands—Over 50,000,000,000 feet in British Columbia, Oregon and Washington.

MINES, farms, pulp propositions.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an Application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session by the Corporation of the City of Victoria for an Act:

1. RE DENMAN STREET WIDENING: Authorizing the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria by By-law to extend, from ten years to twenty-five years, the time for payment of the assessment under By-law No. 1233 of the said Corporation (known as "Local Improvement Authorization By-law No. 409," and relating to the widening of Denman Street in said City; and to repeal By-law No. 1830 of said Corporation (being a By-law to borrow $31,872.03 upon debentures to pay the cost of said widening and imposing a special assessment for payment of the owners' portion of the cost of such widening and interest thereon); and to prepare and make a new special assessment and assessment roll in relation to said widening and pass a new By-law in substitution for said By-law No. 1830 whereby the debentures to be issued for said purpose shall be payable in twenty-five years (instead of ten years) from the time of the issue thereof, and making said special assessment payable in twenty-five (instead of ten) annual instalments accordingly.

2. To validate the following By-laws of the said Corporation:

(a) By-law No. 1132 known as the "North West District Sewer By-law, 1911";

(b) By-law No. 1595, known as the "Additional North West Sewer Expropriation By-law, 1912";

(c) By-law No. 1633, known as the "North West District Sewer By-law, 1911, Amendment By-law, 1912."

3. For such further powers and relief as may be necessary or convenient in connection with any of the above matters.

DATED at the City of Victoria this 4th day of December, A.D. 1915.

R. W. HANNINGTON,
Solicitor for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the Goods of Geoffrey Launcelot Watson, Deceased.

Take notice that probate of the will of Geoffrey Launcelot Watson, late of Lillooet District and of Westholme, British Columbia, who died on the 21st day of April, 1915, has been issued to Anthony Robert Margesson, sole executor.

All persons having claims against the estate are requested to send full particulars thereof, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 19th day of February, 1916, after which date the executor will proceed with the distribution of the estate, having regard only to such claims of which he shall then have received notice.

Dated this 12th day of January, A. D. 1916.

CREASE & CREASE
Solicitors for the said executor
410 Central Building, Victoria, B. C.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HILL LAWSON, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims against the deceased, who died on the 20th day of November, 1915, at the City of Victoria, are required to send same to the undersigned, Solicitors for the Executors of the Will of the said deceased. And take notice that after the 1st day of March, 1916, the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice.

Dated the 6th day of January, 1916.

BODWELL & LAWSON,
918 Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 5 p.m. on Monday, January 31, at the Municipal Hall, for the supply of Rough Lumber for the current year. Prices to include delivery to any point in the Township.

G. H. PULLEN, C.M.C.

TENDERS

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to and including January 31, for the supply and delivery at Victoria, of 1,500 30 ft., 8-inch top, and 500 35 ft., 8-inch top cedar poles. Delivery to be made between March 1st and July 1st, 1916.

Specifications will be supplied on request. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

B. C. TELEPHONE CO., LTD.,
Plant Dept., Victoria.

Certificate No. 325.

BRITISH COLUMBIA RAILWAY ACT.

Chapter 194, R. S. B. C., 1911. Canadian Northern Pacific Railway, Patricia Bay Branch.

In the matter of the application of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company, hereinafter called the "Applicant," for permission to make a temporary level crossing for construction purposes over the track of the Victoria & Sidney Railway at the north end of Saanich Peninsula, near Bazan Bay, said application having been accompanied by the required plan and profile.

Having heard on the 4th day of January, 1916, the representatives of the parties interested, namely the "Applicant" and the Victoria and Sidney Railway Company, I DO HEREBY,

In virtue of the authority vested in me under the provisions of Subsection (3), Section 152, British Columbia Railway Act, R. S. B. C., 1911, and upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer and Inspector of Railways, B. C., approve of the said temporary level crossing and issue this certificate subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth,

AND IT IS ORDERED,

(1) That the said temporary level crossing for construction purposes shall be protected by a flagman on duty during all hours of train movements on the tracks of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway and the Victoria and Sidney Railway.

(2) That a proper shelter house for the flagman shall be erected close to the said crossing.

(3) That the flagman (1) shall be an employee of the Victoria and Sidney Railway Company.

(4) That the cost of the shelter house and necessary fixtures shall be borne by the "Applicant."

(5) That the flagman referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) shall be furnished with red and green flags, the former to indicate "danger," and the latter to indicate "clear" in the day time, and shall be furnished with red and white lamps, the former to indicate "danger" and the latter to indicate "clear" in the night time. These are to be furnished at the expense of the "Applicant."

(6) That the cost of maintaining the flagman referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) shall be borne by the "Applicant."

(7) That the "Applicant" shall provide a mechanical interlocking system with derails at the said crossing before its line is opened for the carriage of passengers and freight traffic.

(8) That the plans of the said interlocking system and derails shall be submitted to me for approval.

(9) That the conditions mentioned above shall be subject to the supervision of the Chief Engineer and Inspector of Railways, B. C., and his instructions in respect thereto, and to other precautions necessary to secure the public safety shall be observed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen.

CHARLES E. TISDALL,
Minister of Railways.

Certificate No. 327.

BRITISH COLUMBIA RAILWAY ACT.

Chapter 194, R. S. B. C., 1911. Canadian Northern Pacific Railway.

In the matter of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company, hereinafter called the "Applicant," for permission to make a temporary level crossing for construction purposes over the track of the British Columbia Electric Railway at Mile 17.9, north of Tripp Station, at the north end of Saanich Peninsula, near Bazan Bay, said application having been accompanied by the required plan and profile.

The British Columbia Electric Railway Company having consented to an order containing certain conditions as set forth below,

I DO HEREBY,

In virtue of the authority vested in me under the provisions of Subsection (3), Section 152, British Columbia Railway Act, R. S. B. C., 1911, and upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer and Inspector of Railways, B. C., approve of the said temporary level crossing and issue this certificate subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth,

AND IT IS ORDERED,

(1) That the said temporary level crossing for construction purposes shall be protected by a flagman on duty during all hours of train movements on the tracks of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway and the British Columbia Electric Railway.

(2) That a proper shelter house for the flagman shall be erected close to the said crossing.

(3) That the flagman (1) shall be an employee of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company.

(4) That the cost of the shelter house and necessary fixtures shall be borne by the "Applicant."

(5) That the flagman referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) shall be furnished with red and green flags, the former to indicate "danger" and the latter to indicate "clear" in the day time, and shall be furnished with red and white lamps, the former to indicate "danger" and the latter to indicate "clear" in the night time. These are to be furnished at the expense of the "Applicant."

(6) That all trains of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company shall come to a full stop 200 yards before reaching the crossing, and shall not proceed until the "clear" signal is received.

(7) That the cost of maintaining the flagman referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) shall be borne by the "Applicant."

(8) That the "Applicant" shall provide a mechanical interlocking system with derails at the said crossing before its line is opened for the carriage of passengers and freight traffic.

(9) That the plans of the said interlocking system with derails shall be submitted to me for approval.

(10) That the conditions mentioned above shall be subject to the supervision of the Chief Engineer and Inspector of Railways, B. C., and his instructions in respect thereto, and to other precautions necessary to secure the public safety, shall be observed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixteen.

CHARLES E. TISDALL,
Minister of Railways.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Between Frank Denning, Plaintiff, and R. J. Spear, H. R. Treherne and J. E. Bogert, Defendants:

To the above-named Defendants, R. J. Spear and H. R. Treherne:

TAKE NOTICE that this action was on the 31st day of March, 1915, commenced against you, and that the Plaintiff herein by his Writ of Summons, claims as follows:

"The Plaintiff's claim is to have an account taken of what is due to him for principal, interest and costs on a Mortgage dated 27th day of July, 1911, made between the Plaintiff and the Defendants, Spear and Treherne, and covering all standing timber and all logs and timber otherwise lying and being on all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Osoyoos Division of the District of Yale, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as portion of the south half of Section 27 in Township 19, Range 9, west of the 6th Meridian, and containing by admeasurement 19 acres more or less, shown in red on plan attached to conveyance to R. J. Spear and H. R. Treherne, from John E. Bogert, bearing date the 18th day of May, 1911, and as more particularly described therein, the same being on file in the Land Registry Office at the City of Kamloops, in the aforesaid Province; and that the said mortgage may be enforced by foreclosure or sale; and for a lis pendens, and for further and other necessary relief, and as against Defendant Bogert for the return of Certificate of Title Number 23061 'A' in the name of Defendants Spear and Treherne, to said lands and premises."

AND TAKE NOTICE that the Court as by order dated 12th January, 1916, authorized service of the said Writ of Summons on you in this action by sending the same by prepaid post letter addressed to the Defendant R. J. Spear, at [illegible], Province of British Columbia, and by inserting advertisements of such Writ and Order once a week for three weeks preceding the 15th day of February, in The Colonist newspaper, published at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED, within eight days after the last appearance of this notice, to defend the said action by causing an appearance to be entered for you in the said Court to the said action, and in default of your so doing, Frank Denning, the above-named Plaintiff, may proceed therein, and judgment may be given in your absence. You may appear to the said Writ by entering an appearance, personally or through your solicitor, at the office of the District Registrar of this Honourable Court at the Court House, Vancouver, B. C.

W. E. BARTON,
Plaintiff's Solicitor, whose address for service is [illegible]

PUBLIC WORKS OF CANADA

BRITISH COLUMBIA DREDGING FLEET. SUPPLIES 1916-17.

Separate sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned at Vancouver, B. C., will be received until 4 p. m., on Friday, February 11, 1916, for the supply of the following articles for the use of the B. C. Dredging Fleet at Victoria, B. C., for twelve months, ending March 31, 1917.

Brooms and Brushes.
Chain.
Coal.
Fuel Oil.
Gasoline.
Hardware.
Hose.
Manila Rope.
Oils and Greases.
Packings.
Paint, Paint Oils, Etc.
Steam Pipe, Valves and Fittings.
Wire Rope.

The supplies must be of the best quality of their several kinds, and must be delivered at the points specified in the various forms of tender.

Each tender must be sent in a separate envelope and endorsed "Tender for Hardware, B. C. Dredging Fleet," etc., as the case may be.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, for the amount mentioned in tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the contract. If the tender be not accepted, the cheque will be returned.

Forms of tender may be obtained at the office of A. F. Mitchell, Esq., Acting District Engineer, Victoria, B. C., at the office of C. C. Worsfold, Esq., District Engineer, New Westminster, B. C., and at the office of the undersigned, 614-18 Birks Building, Vancouver, B. C.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order.

C. C. WORSFOLD,
Acting Superintendent of Dredges, Department of Public Works, Vancouver, B. C., January 27, 1916.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub-divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined, and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10 an acre.

For full information, application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy Minister of the Interior

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.—58782.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Isabella Catherine Hunter, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the late Isabella Catherine Hunter, who died on or about the 12th day of January, 1916, at the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, are required to send, on or before the 29th day of February, 1916, by post prepaid, or to deliver to the undersigned, Solicitor for the Executor, under the will of the said Isabella Catherine Hunter, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing, of their claims and statements of their accounts, and the nature of the securities if any, held by them.

And take notice that after the 31st day of March, 1916, the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice, and that the Executor will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim he shall not then have had notice.

And take notice that all persons indebted to the said deceased at the time of her death are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executor, on or before the 29th day of March, 1916.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 27th day of January, 1916.

H. S. PRINGLE,
308-9 Central Building, Victoria, B. C.,
Solicitor for the said Executor.

PROMOTERS INDULGE IN FRENZIED FINANCE

Purses Offered Present Day Boxers Are Enormous—Old-Time Champions Got Far Less

The efforts of the various fight promoters to sign Jess Willard and Frank Moran for a ten-round bout have reached the frenzied finance stage, wherein the successful bidder is likely to surpass all previous records, although he may not find the venture profitable. At the present time three proposals have been made for the services of the heavyweights.

One gives Willard $32,500 guarantee, or 45 per cent of the gate receipts and 51 per cent of the moving picture profits. A second offers $32,500 flat guarantee and a $5,000 bonus for signing, while the third provides that the champion shall receive $60,000 for two ten-round bouts.

Moran, in the role of challenger, is not so liberally treated, although the offers to him would make old-time pugilists green with envy. One promoter promised him $15,000 for his end of a bout with Willard, another raised this to $17,000, and a third offered $30,000 for his services in two ten-round bouts.

All these propositions are based upon a ten-round no-decision bout, to be held in or near New York City within the next three months. Nothing like these sums has ever been put up for such a contest in the past history of the ring. The record purse is of course the $101,000 given by Tex Rickard for the Jeffries-Johnson fight at Reno, Nev., July 4, 1910.

The largest sum ever paid to pugilists for a ten-round contest such as Willard and Moran are asked to sign for was the $32,500 purse given for the McFarland-Gibbons bout September 11, 1915. McFarland received $17,500 and Gibbons $15,000. The gross receipts were announced as $56,963. Now Willard is offered as much for ten rounds as these two ring stars received jointly.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons fought for a purse of $25,000, with a side bet of $10,000 each, so that the entire value of the purse was $45,000, or less than Willard and Moran have been offered for a ten-round no-decision bout. The largest gate in New York's pugilistic history was $66,300, taken in at the Jeffries-Sharkey twenty-five round fight at Coney Island, November 3, 1899. This amount would not cover the expenses of the proposed bout, according to the promoters striving to land the

NOVEL FEATURES FOR CLUB TOURNAMENT

Fencing and Jiu-Jitsu Contests Will Add to Interest of V.I.A.A. Smoker—Seattle Boxers Coming Over.

Friday, February 18, is the date fixed by Manager Davies for the coming tournament of the Vancouver Island Amateur Athletic Association. The tournament will be brought off in the club's quarters in Victoria West, which will be specially arranged for the occasion.

International interest will be given to the proceedings in view of the fact that Mr. Davies has received word from Chet. McIntyre, of the Seattle Athletic Club that he will send over two of his best boys to compete in the tournament. These two will be entered in the 115 and 125-pound classes, respectively. Roy Baker will probably furnish the local opposition to the former, while the latter will engage the attention of Al. Davies.

Another special feature of the evening will be the jiu-jitsu and fencing contests included in the programme, for which already nine entries have been received from local Japanese.

The rest of the programme will be for novices in the various classes, entries being limited to boys who have never yet won a similar competition. These bouts should produce some excellent sport, as there are a number of coming champions in the city eager to win their laurels in the amateur boxing ring. A number of boys who used to compete regularly in the smokers of the V.I.A.A.A. will not be able to appear in this tournament, having forfeited their amateur standing since the last tournament was held. Though sorry to see the boys he has taught the noble art leave the fold, Manager Davies is confident that there will be no lack of young blood available to fill the ranks of amateurism.

With the two international bouts, the Japanese contests, and a number of novice contests, the tournament is sure to draw a large and interested crowd and some good sport should result.

WILL ORGANIZE FOR PROTECTION OF GAME

Commissioners and Wardens From Washington State Will Meet to Form an Association

All the county game commissioners and game wardens of the State of Washington will meet in Spokane on February 9 and 10 to organize the Association of County Game Commissioners and Wardens of Washington. The organization will be an amalgamation of the present associations of Eastern and Western Washington, following the suggestion of Western Washington Association, which met recently in Seattle.

Two years ago, when the Eastern Washington Association was formed, every county east of the Cascades was represented by one or more game officials, many sending their entire commission and game warden.

One of the matters which will be taken up by the association will be to secure support for the bill that will be introduced in the National House of Representatives to set aside forest reserves throughout the country as game reserves. The plan was first suggested by W. T. Hornaday, of the American Game Protective Association.

New game laws and amendments to the existing code will be proposed and voted upon so that when bills are presented at the next session of the State Legislature they will have a much better chance of being passed.

BEGS FOR WORK

Former "All-American" Football Star Finds It Difficult to Get Employment

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 27.—Charles Williams, young, stalwart and a competent electrician, stood before Chief of Police Healey and begged for aid in obtaining employment that his wife and child might not suffer for the necessities of life.

Thirteen years ago Williams won the proud distinction of making the "All-American" team for his prowess on the football field. Today he wore no overcoat and his clothing was shabby and threadbare. He announced his willingness to tackle any work that would bring him living wages.

Williams is a full-blooded Cherokee Indian, the son of Red Cloud, a famous scout half a century ago. Because he is an Indian, Williams says, he is unable to find employment. He graduated from Carlisle in 1903. Chief Healey promised to aid him in finding work.

N. H. A. STANDING

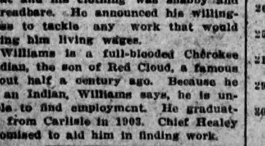
MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—The four leading clubs in the National Hockey Association were bunched more closely as a result of last night's games. The standing now is:

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Wanderers	7	3	0	46	35	14
Quebec	6	4	1	40	37	13
Canadiens	5	5	1	34	33	11
Ottawa	5	5	0	31	28	10
Torontos	2	8	0	23	42	4

They Never Missed

EAST LANSING, Mich., Jan. 27.—The Michigan Agricultural College rifle team, in its match with the University of California yesterday, claimed to have equaled its world record of a week ago by shooting a score of 1,000 out of a possible 1,000 points.

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BEATS RECORD FOR TESTS OF STRENGTH

ANN HARBOR, Mich., Jan. 27.—R. W. Johnson, Michigan's strong man, broke the world's record in strength tests formerly held by Roos, of Yale, the Wolverine piling up a total of 2,022 points, topping the previous record by 62.2 points.

Johnson earned the title of strongest man at Michigan last year, but his lack of experience in the dipping and chinning events prevented his shattering any outside records during his freshman year. This Winter, however, Dr. May has been working with his young prodigy, and while he is not yet satisfied that Johnson has reached his limit, his improvement has been so marked that he was able to beat the Yale man's mark with ease.

Roos still has the lead in the dip and chinning events, but Johnson more than makes up for this slight handicap by his great superiority in the other tests. With a little additional practice in the two events in which he is weak, Johnson expects to raise his total above the 4,000-point mark.

Johnson's marks in the eight events counted in the making up of the total follow: Weight, 180½ pounds; dip, 20; chinning, 17; lung capacity, 320; grip, right hand, 280 3-8; left hand, 230; leg lift, 1,140; back lift, 680.

RESULTS OF MONTH'S EGG-LAYING CONTEST

Fifth international egg-laying contest, held under the supervision of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, at the Exhibition Grounds, Victoria, B. C., from October 22, 1915, to September 21, 1916, twelve months. Third month's report, for month ending January 21, 1916.

Class 1., lightweight varieties, six birds to a pen:

Pen.	Name and Address.	Month.	Ttl.
10	G. O. Pooley, R.M.D. 1, Duncan, B. C. W. Leghorns	66	235
18	L. M. Moss, Cowichan, B. C., W. Leghorns	36	232
2	College View Poultry Farm, R. D. 2, Corvallis, Ore., W. Leghorns	27	207
11	Miss Eva Hart, R. M. D., Sidney, B. C., W. Leghorns	51	205
7	V. H. Wilson, Koksilah, B. C., White Leghorns	65	195
13	H. A. Hincks, Langford Station, B. C., W. Leghorns	60	183
14	W. H. MacConnell, Somenos, B. C., W. Leghorns	44	181
19	A. R. Lowe, Lake Hill P.O., Victoria, B. C., W. Leghorns	55	163
3	A. V. Lang, R. D. 3, Victoria, B. C., W. Leghorns	30	141
20	J. C. Butterfield, Saanichton, B. C., W. Leghorns	11	127
4	Norie Bros., Cowichan, B. C., W. Leghorns	16	110
15	L. F. Solly, Westholme, B. C., W. Leghorns	7	109
9	Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers, Thrums, B. C., W. Leghorns	4	98
1	J. O. M. Thackeray, Chilliwack, B. C., W. Leghorns	20	97
17	Fletcher Bradley, 100 Waverley Street, Ottawa, Ont., W. Leghorns	30	87
8	J. Graves, Saturna Island, B. C., W. Leghorns	27	86
5	T. Livesley, Atchelitz, B. C., W. Leghorns	14	80
16	A. Unsworth, Sardis, B. C., W. Leghorns	40	77
6	J. A. McCallum, Grand Forks, B. C., W. Leghorns	18	69
12	O. P. Stamer, Cowichan, B. C., Anconas	12	54

Class II., heavyweight varieties, six birds to a pen:

Pen.	Name and Address.	Month.	Ttl.
34	E. D. Read, Duncan, B.C., W. Dottes	82	255
31	Hall & Clark, 215 Robertson Street, Victoria, W. Orps.	94	250
37	Dean Bros., Keatings, B. C., W. Dottes	73	239
35	S. F. Blackman, R. M. D., Sidney, B. C., S. C. Reds	64	238
33	P. S. Lampman, Law Courts, Victoria, B. C., S. C. Reds	80	228
28	C. G. Hamilton, Port Washington, B. C., W. Dottes	71	220
27	G. D. Adams, Box 840, Victoria, B. C., W. Dottes	59	218
40	D. Gibbard, Mission City, B. C., Barred Rocks	80	204
23	A. R. Gillies, Clover Bar, Alta., Barred Rocks	63	188
38	J. H. Cruttenden, 237 Princess Street, New Westminster, B. C., Buff Dottes	63	131
36	C. W. Robbins, Chilliwack, B. C., Buff Orps	73	119
24	R. B. Venner, Colwood P.O., B. C., W. Dotttes	37	119
22	Rosecroft Poultry Farm, R. F. D. 3, Wenatchee, Wash., W. Dottes	45	116
26	A. E. Smith R. M. D. 2, Victoria, B.C., S. C. Reds	15	114
25	Reid & Greenwood, Box 928, Victoria, B. C., S. C. Reds	52	104
21	F. W. Frederick, Phoenix, B. C., R. I. Whites	46	103
29	J. Wood, 1153 Caledonia Ave., Victoria, Buff Orps.	40	94
30	W. S. Stewart, 1473 Fort Street, Victoria, B. C., W. Dottes	59	77
39	D. Nicol, 1733 Bank Street, Victoria, B. C., S. C. Reds	21	30
32	Mrs. W. M. Higgs, Sooke Way, near Victoria, W. Cornish	7	7

The weather experienced during the month has been the coldest since the contest started. Snow commenced to fall on the 11th and continued until the night of the 12th, and for several days a biting cold north wind blew, filling pens 1 to 4 with snow over 3 feet deep, which had to be removed. Temperature inside pens fell to 15 deg. or 17 deg. of frost, and in consequence the egg yield went down very much. Many birds in Class I. are moulting.

J. R. TERRY, Director.

W. H. Stroyan, Poultryman.

PROGRESS AT NOBLE FIVE

Ore of Good Grade Encountered in Mine Owned by Hon. James Dunsmuir

At a distance of about 2,700 feet from the portal, ore of good grade has been encountered in the Noble Five mine, and it is the opinion of Mr. Paul Lincoln, the manager, that the famous Last Chance lead has been encountered, according to a report in The Kaslo Kootenaian. For some months the management has been driving toward this vein. It was known that the Last Chance lead dipped into the Noble Five ground, and the discovery of the lead is considered to prove its extension to a depth of at least 2,000 feet below the lowest of the old Last Chance workings. Years ago, the Last Chance was one of the dividend payers of the Slocan district. A programme of development which will occupy two years' work has been laid out by the Noble Five management on behalf of the owner, Hon. Jas. Dunsmuir, of Victoria.

COMING EVENTS

Commercial Travellers' Dance—The United Commercial Travellers will hold a social dance in the Knights of Columbus Hall this evening. All members are requested to be present and bring along their friends.

Hospital Meeting—A special meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital has been called for 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the Y.W.C.A., Douglas and Broughton Streets.

Graduate Nurses' Association—A general meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of British Columbia will be held in the Nurses' Home of the Royal Jubilee Hospital on Saturday evening, February 12.

Victoria Nurses' Club—The annual meeting of the Victoria Nurses' Club will be held in the Y.W.C.A. Building on Tuesday, February 1, at 2 p.m. Important business is to be transacted. All nurses are urgently requested to be present.

Orange Concert—Loyal Orange Association, Premier L.O.L. 1610 is giving a concert, social and dance in the Orange Hall on Monday next, commencing at 8 p.m. All members and friends of the L.O.B.A. and L.O.L. are cordially invited to be present.

Holds Dance This Evening—Lodge "Britannia" No. 216 L.O.B.A. has completed all arrangements for its first annual dance to be held in the Connaught Hall this evening. Dancing will continue from 9 till 1 a.m. Buffet supper will be served and Donne's orchestra will be in attendance.

Welcome Club Meets—A meeting of the executive of the Welcome Club for Returned Soldiers will be held this evening at the Y. M. C. A. at 8 o'clock, and all members are requested to attend, as important matters affecting returned soldiers are to be discussed.

Burns' Concert—Practices are being held regularly for the Burns' Anniversary Concert in the First Presbyterian Church, Quadra and Fisgard Streets, next Tuesday night. The programme, which is not yet complete, will consist of Scotch songs and readings.

Babies' Aid—The Babies' Aid which is affiliated with the Friendly Help will hold a musical tea on Tuesday, February 1, at the residence of Mrs. Stuart Robertson, 1023 Belmont Ave., from 4 to 6 p.m. Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. H. Briggs and Mrs. Gibson have arranged the programme. A small admission fee will be charged.

Fourth Annual Dance—The Order of Amaranth will hold its fourth annual dance on Wednesday, February 2, in the K. of P. Hall, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Those wishing invitations should make application to the following ladies of the dance committee: Mesdames Jackson, R.M., Richdale, Holl, Fleming, and Rissen.

Patriotic Service—Next Sunday evening a patriotic service will be held in the First Baptist Church, Dominion theatre, at 7:30. Rev. J. B. Warnikcer will take as his topic, "A Trumpet Blast, or a Love Song—Which?" Mrs. Macdonald Fahey will render two numbers. Pte. Rochon will be the violin soloist and Ptes. Vincent and Lawrence, of the 103rd, will give a cornet duet.

Prohibitionists to Dine—On Monday next, at 12:30 p.m., the Vancouver Island branch of the People's Prohibition Movement will hold a dinner at the Empress Hotel. It is expected that reports will be read from the various chairmen having the canvass in charge, showing the result of their labors. The speaker for the day will be Mr. Jonathan Rogers, provincial president of the Movement, and Mr. Hammond, chairman of the central organization committee.

Special Musical Service—On Sunday evening the choir of the Metropolitan Methodist Church will render a special musical service, assisted by Mrs. R. Baird and Miss Charlotte Spencer and Mr. J. O. Dunford. The following music will be rendered: Anthem, "I Waited for the Lord" (Mendelssohn), solos Mesdames Downard and Packard; bass solo, "Arm, Arm, Ye Brave" (Judas Maccabeaus), Mr. A. Marwood; anthem, "The Lord Is My Light" (Sydenham); contralto solo, "The Cross" (Ware), Miss Charlotte Spencer; anthem, "Hark, Hark, My Soul" (Shelley), solos, Mesdames Morton and Packard; duet, "O Salutaris Hostia" (Wiegand), Mrs. Downard, Mr. Dunford; contralto solo, "The Penitent" (Vander Water), Mrs. R. Baird, tenor solo, "Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord" (Salvage), Mr. J. O. Dunford; anthem, unaccompanied, "God Is a Spirit" (Bennett).

Fifth Regiment Band Concert—The concert next Sunday at the Royal Victoria Theatre by the Fifth Regiment Band should prove very enjoyable because of several notable numbers on the programme. A double mixed quartette, composed of the following ladies and gentlemen will sing "Here's Life and Health to England's King": Mrs. F. Rawnsley, Misses C. Cook, E. Patty, M. Cook, and Messrs. F. Rawnsley, Land, Lamson and J. Rawnsley; also Mr. S. Pearce, basso, will assist. A cornet and euphonium duet, by Bandsmen Halsey and Vinall. The overtures, "Cinq Mass" and "Rosamunde," and the selection "Sons of Britannia," will form a portion of the band numbers. The following Sunday will be, by request "number day," and Bandmaster Smith extends a cordial invitation to friends to send in the name of any standard overture or selection that they wish played. Miss A. Murisett will act as accompanist.

Joins Walkers' Club

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—George H. Goulding, of Toronto, while in the city last Thursday, enlisted in the ranks of the Walkers' Club of America, of which all the athletes selected as the ten best walkers in America by Herman Obertubbessing, the official handicapper of the Amateur Athletic Union, are also members.

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HEAVY LIQUIDATION NOTED ON MARKET

Short Selling Also Aids in Depression of Prices—Recoveries Made in Some Cases Towards Close of Session.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Continued heavy liquidation and short selling, the latter probably predominating, added to further impairment of values today. Wednesday's selling movement was resumed at the outset, and, save for desultory rallies, was maintained almost to the end.

Heaviness was again pronounced in the railway division, although numerous other issues of varied descriptions suffered, in some instances to a greater extent. Coppers and some of the war stocks were among the few exceptions. Declines were effected on comparativly small offerings. The movement was lacking the feverishness which accompanies forced selling. There were no overnight developments, to which the downward trend could be ascribed, but the market's weak technical condition, due mainly to its over-extension on the buying side, made it susceptible to successive bear attacks. The only important event bearing upon prices, the St. Paul dividend, which was increased from 2 to 2½ per cent semi-annually, did not materialise until the final trading, when prices hardened all round, some previous light losses being changed to slight net gains.

In the broader field of finance, the sale by the State of New York of $25,000,000 of 4 per cent bonds was in all essentials a success, the ruling prices and number of the bids attesting to the soundness of investment conditions. Other favorable factors were found in the incessant demand for fabricated steel and iron, as well as copper, while general trade reports from various parts of the country were of an encouraging tenor.

Eries were the weak features in the rails, the common losing 1¾, at 35⅞, and the first and second preferred more than 3 points each. Pacifics, grangers, trunk lines, and the coalers were 1 to 2 points under their lowest previous price, but the covering of the shorts corrected the losses in large part before the close.

Oils and motors constituted elements of weakness, and such specialties as International Nickel and Industrial Alcohol added to recent declines. United States Steel was heavy most of the time, but recovered later. Total sales of stocks amounted to 745,000 shares.

The only important railway return for December was that of the Southern Railway, with a net gain of $350,000.

Bonds manifested a yielding tendency, with considerable activity in Anglo-French 5's, at a substantial decline from their recent maximum. Total sales, par value, $4,050,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

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Stocks—	High.	Low.	Bid.
Alaska Gold	24½	24	24¼
Allis-Chalmers	26½	26	26¼
Amn. Coal Prod.	166½	165	165
Amn. Agr. Chem.	..	..	68
Amn. Beet Sugar	65¼	65	65
Amn. Can.	63½	61⅝	63⅝
Amn. Car and Fdy.	66⅝	65⅝	66½
Amn. Steel Fdy.	..	..	64½
Amn. Locomotive	63½	62½	63
Amn. Smelting	102¼	100½	101⅝
Amn. Sugar	..	..	113⅝
Amn. Tel. and Tel.	..	..	127½
Anaconda	87½	85⅝	87
Atchison	105⅝	105	105⅝
Balt. and Ohio	90½	89	89⅝
Bethlehem Steel	..	..	460
Brooklyn Rap. Tran.	..	..	86½
C. P. R.	169⅝	167½	169½
Cal. Petroleum	30⅝	29⅝	30½
Central Leather	53½	52½	52¼
Ches. and Ohio	62¼	61⅝	62
C. and G. W.	12⅛	12⅛	12⅜
do pfd.	..	..	36½
C. M. and St. P.	96⅝	94½	96⅝
Colo. Fuel and Iron	44⅝	42⅝	42⅞
Crucible	67⅝	66⅝	67
Con. Gas	140	138½	138½
Distillers Sec.	45½	44⅝	45
Erie	37½	35⅝	36⅝
do 1st pfd.	54	52	52½
do 2nd pfd.	47¼	47	46
Gen. Motors	..	..	475
Goodrich	75½	68⅝	69
Gt. Nor. pfd.	121½	120½	121
Gt. Nor. Ore. ctfs.	45½	43⅝	44⅜
Guggenheim	22⅝	22¼	22½
Inspiration	45	44½	44½
Ind. Alcohol	156	148⅜	151
Baldwin	108½	106⅝	107⅜
Lackawanna	79½	77⅝	79
Kas. City So.	26½	26	26¼
Louis and Nash.	125¼	125	125⅜
Lehigh Valley	76½	75	75⅝
Mackay Co.'s	..	..	80
Maxwell Motor	68⅝	67½	65⅝
Mex. Petroleum	102⅝	99¼	102½
Midvale	..	..	67
Mo. Pacific	5⅛	4⅝	5½
N. Y. Air Brake	147	144¼	144⅝
Nevada Cons.	15⅝	15½	15½
New Haven	71¼	70½	71
N. Y. Central	107¼	105½	106⅛
N. Y. O. and W.	..	..	27½
Norfolk and West.	117½	115½	116
Northern Pac.	113½	113	113½
Pennsylvania	58⅛	57⅝	57⅝
People's Gas	108	107¼	107½
Pittsburg Coal	32⅝	31½	31⅝
do pfd.	..	..	156⅛
Pressed Steel Car	56	55	55½
Railway Steel Spg.	..	..	39⅛
Reading	78	76⅝	77⅛
Rep. Iron and Steel	57¼	50	50⅝
do pfd.	..	..	108
Sloss Sheffield	58⅛	57½	58
Sou. Pacific	100½	99⅝	100⅛
Sou. Railway	21½	20⅝	20⅛
do pfd.	..	..	60⅛
Submarine	..	..	35
Studebaker-Corp.	152½	148	150⅛
Tenn. Copper	57½	56½	57
Texas Pacific	..	..	7⅞
Union Pacific	134⅝	133⅝	134⅝
U. S. Rubber	53½	51⅝	52
do 1st pfd.	..	..	107
U. S. Steel	83⅞	82⅝	83⅜
do pfd.	..	..	118
Utah Copper	79⅝	79	79
Va. Car. Chem.	47⅝	47	47¼
do pfd.	..	..	110
Western Union	..	..	89⅛
Westinghouse	67	65⅝	66
Wisconsin Central	..	..	37
Granby (Boston)	92⅛	91	91⅝
Willys-Overland	209	200	205

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Blackbird Syndicate	18.00	23.00
Can. Copper Co.	1.90	2.20
Crow's Nest Coal	70.00	...
Can. Cons. S. and R.	140.00	147.00
Coronation Gold	...	.13
Granby	.92	.93½
Int. Coal and Coke	.07	.10
Lucky Jim Zinc	.08	.08½
McGillivray Coal	.14	.15
Portland Canal	...	.01½
Rambler Cariboo	.18	.19
Red Cliff	...	.08
Standard Lead	1.75	1.90
Snowstorm	.26	.27
Stewart M. and D.	...	.75
Slocan Star	.16	.18
Stewart Land	...	7.00
Vict. Phoenix Brew.	...	116.00
Unlisted—		
American Marconi	3.75	4.00
Canadian Marconi	1.00	1.75
Glacier Creek	...	.06
Island Investment	...	.21
Union Club Deb. (new)	...	40.00
do (old)	...	90.00
Univ. School Deb.	...	100.00
Howe Sound M.	6.00	6.75
Pingree Mines	...	.10
Portland Tunnels	...	.06

MONTREAL PRODUCE

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—Butter is unchanged, but firm. Cheese is strong, and the demand for eggs is fairly good.

Cheese—Finest Westerns, 18¾ to 18¾; finest Easterns, 18 to 18½.

Butter—Choicest creamery, 34 to 35; seconds, 33½ to 33.

Eggs—Fresh, 46; selected, 33; No. 1 stock, 30.

Pork—Heavy Canada short mess, 30½; Canada short cut back, 29½.

Silver Spring Ale and Stout, 50c per dozen pints.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET

(Furnished by F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	1.36	1.37⅝	1.34¼	1.36⅞
July	1.26	1.27⅝	1.25	1.27⅝
Corn—				
May	.79½	.79⅝	.78⅝	.79½
July	.79⅝	.79⅜	.78⅝	.79⅝
Oats—				
May	.53⅝	.53⅞	.53	.53⅛
July	.49½	.49⅝	.49	.49⅛
Pork—				
Jan.	20.25	20.42	20.25	20.40
May	20.50	20.70	20.47	20.67
Lard—				
Jan.				10.32
May	10.56	10.65	10.55	10.62
Short Ribs—				
Jan.				10.80
May	11.06	11.17	11.16	11.15

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

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Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Ames	22	23
do pfd.	..	75
B. C. Packers	..	135
Bell Telephone	146	147
Brazil	..	54
Dom. Bridge	227½	228
Can. Cement	47¼	47½
C. P. R.	169¼	169½
Can. Cotton	..	37
Crown Reserve	50	51
Can. Steamship	17	18
Can. Car Fdy.	70	71
Detroit United	72½	73
Dom. Canners	..	31
Dom. Iron and S.	45	46
Ill. Traction	..	61
Lake of the Woods	133	134
Laurentide	186	186½
Montreal Power	228	229
N. S. Steel	96	96¾
Ogilvie	..	133
Ottawa Power	..	120
Penman	59	60
Quebec Railway	..	14
Shawinigan	131	132
Soo Line	121	122
Steel of Can.	37	38
Spanish River	..	4
Textile	77	78
Toronto Railway	..	111
Twin City	..	95
Winnipeg Electric	..	180
Montreal Tram.	..	220

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET

WINNIPEG, Jan. 27.—The market closed ⅝c to 1c higher today, after fluctuations. May closed at 133¾, only ¼c under the high of the day, while July closed at 132¼, or ⅝c under the high. The trading in coarse grain was very dull. Oats dropped ¼c to ⅝c, with May at 51, and July 50⅝. Barley opened at 73 and stayed there all day. Flax dropped ½c to 221½. The cash situation showed little change, though prices had increased a little. No. 1 sold for 4c under May, at 129¾, with No. 2 at 127¾. There was a good demand, but offers were few. The fluctuations in the market today was due mostly to pit manipulation and profit-taking by the public. Easier prices are looked for in the near future.

	Open.	Close.
Wheat—		
May	132½	133¾
July	131¼	132¼
Oats—		
May	51⅛	51
July	50⅛	50⅝
Barley—		
May	73	73
Flax—		
May	223	221½

Cash prices: Wheat—1 Nor., 129¾; 2 Nor., 127¾; 3 Nor., 125¼; No. 4, 121¼; No. 5, 114⅝; No. 6, 108¼; feed, 101¾.

Oats—2 C. W., 47⅛; 3 C. W., 44⅝; exrta 1 feed, 44¾; 1 feed, 43⅜; 2 feed, 42⅜.

Barley—No. 3, 68; No. 4, 63½; feed, 53.

Flax—1 N. W. C., 214½; 2 C. W., 211½.

LOCAL MARKETS

Vegetables.		
Beets, lb.		.02½
Brussels Sprouts, lb.		.10
Cabbage, lb.		.03
Carrots, lb.		.02½
Cauliflower, each	.15 and	.20
Celery, local, lb.		.10
Cucumbers, H. H., each	.40 and	.20
Egg Plant, lb.		.12
Lettuce, local, head		.05
Lettuce, H. H., 2 bunches		.10
Marrows, lb.		.03
Onions, Dry, 12 lbs.		.25
Parsley, bunch		.05
Peppers, lb.	.15 and	.25
Potatoes, Ashcroft, sack		1.25
Potatoes, River, sack		.75
Potatoes, local, sack		.90
Potatoes, Sweet, 6 lbs.		.25
Pumpkin, lb.		.02
Turnips, 15 lbs.		.25
Tomatoes, local, H. H., lb		.20
Watercress, bunch		.05
Fruit		
Apples, local, 6 lbs.		.25
Apples, Jonathan, No. 1 Box	1.50 and	2.00
Apples, box	1.25 to	2.50
Bananas, dozen		.30
Cranberries, Eastern, lb.		.20
Grapes, Tokay, lb.		.25
Grapes, Malaga, lb.		.25
Grapes, local, H.H., bskt.		.50
Grapefruit, Cal., 2 for		.25
Grapefruit, Cal., lower grade, 3 for		.25
Lemons, Cal., dozen	.25 and	.30
Oranges, Valencia, dozen	.30, .40 and	.50
Melons, Casaba		.35
Sugar.		
B. C. Granulated, 20 lbs.		1.60
B. C. Granulated, 100 lbs.		7.90
Dairy Produce and Eggs.		
Butter—		
Comox, lb.		.45
Cowichan Creamery, lb.		.50
Eastern Creamery, lb.		.35
Northwest Creamery, lb.		.40
Cheese—		
Canadian, lb.		.25
Canadian Stilton, lb.		.30
English Stilton, lb.		.40
Eggs, local, dozen		.50
Broilers, lb.	.18 to	.32
Fryers, each		.45
Ducks, young, lb.	.25 to	.30
Geese, lb.		.25
Bacon, Canadian Sugar Cured, lb.	.24 to	.30
Pork, Shoulders, lb.	.15 to	.18
Pork, Loins, lb.		.20
Fish.		
Bloaters, lb.		.10
Cod, lb.		.10
Cod Fillets, lb.		.15
Finnan Haddie, lb.		.15
Halibut, lb.		.12½
Halibut, smoked, lb.		.15
Herring, lb.		.08
Herring, Kippered, lb.		.10
Oysters, Esquimalt, dozen		.50
Salmon, frozen, lb.		.10
Salmon, smoked, lb.	.20 to	.25
Salmon, lb.		.15
Salmon, Spring, lb.		.12½
Salmon, Kippered, lb.		.15
Skate, lb.		.10
Soles, lb.		.10
Whiting, lb.		.12½
Feed.		
Barley, 100 lbs.		1.90
Oats, 100 lbs.		1.60
Barley, ground, 100 lbs.		2.00
Bran, 100 lbs.		1.30
Corn, 100 lbs.		2.10
Corn, cracked, 100 lbs.		2.20
Oats, crushed, 100 lbs.		1.70
Shorts, 100 lbs.		1.40
Wheat, No. 1 100 lbs.		2.20
Wheat, No. 2, 100 lbs.		2.00
Hay, alfalfa, ton	22.00 to	24.00
Hay, Timothy, ton	20.00 to	22.00
Straw, bale		.60
Flour.		
B. & K. Bread Flour, 49-lb. sack		1.75
Purity, 49-lb. sack		1.85
Five Roses, 49-lb. sack		1.85
Robin Hood, 49-lb. sack		1.85
Royal Household, 49-lb. sack		1.85
Royal Standard, 49-lb. sk.		1.80
Gold Seal, 49-lb. sack		1.70
Snowflake, 49-lb. sack		1.75
Wild Rose, 49-lb. sack		1.70
Meats.		
Beef, loin roasts, lb.	.22 to	.28
Beef, boiling, lb.	.10 to	12½
Mutton, forequarters, lb.		.15
Mutton, hindquarters, lb.	.20 to	.25
Mutton, leg, lb.		.25
Pork, Legs, lb.	.18 to	.20
Pork Sausage, pure		.20
Turkeys, cold storage, lb.		.30
Hams, Canadian Sugar Cured, lb.	.18 to	.25
Mutton, loin, lb.		.22
Chicken, lb.	.25 to	.30
Fowl, lb.	.16 to	.20

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HON. M. BURRELL MEETS CHARGES

Minister Replies to Statements of Mr. Carvell in Regard to Hay Contract—Not Afraid to Publish Records.

OTTAWA, Jan. ..—Continuing the debate to the address in the Commons today, Hon. Martin Burrell replied at length to the charges made by Mr. F. B. Carvell on Tuesday in regard to the purchase of hay in the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Carvell on that occasion charged that the matter had been so manipulated that the Atlantic Hay Company, in paying only $11 to $12 for hay, while it received $23 through the Government, acting for the Imperial authorities, had robbed the farmers of $40,000. He also asserted that Mr. Burrell had approached Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. Pardee, the chief Liberal whip, and himself, and asked that the matter should not be brought up in the House.

Mr. Burrell, in his reply, said that the Department had nothing to hide. He had consulted with the Prime Minister and Sir George Foster, and it had been decided to suggest to the Opposition that in the interest of the War Office and the public, matters relating to the purchase of hay for the Imperial authorities should not be discussed at present. He explained that later on the Government would have no objection to bringing down every record relating to the important work now being done by the department for the Imperial Government. Mr. Burrell emphatically denied that he had said to Mr. Carvell that he was afraid to have this matter discussed.

Mr. Burrell said that the farmers had not complained of the prices received for their hay.

The company, in reply to complaints, had offered to handle the hay on a 5 per cent commission basis, or to take a profit of $1 a ton. This latter offer had been accepted.

By way of further rejoinder, Mr. Burrell produced documents to show that in 190.. Mr. Carvell had been a member of a company which secured a hay contract. It was at the time of the South African war. The company got $17 a ton and paid only $8 a ton, therefore the profit was about the same as that made by the Atlantic Hay Company.

Other speakers were E. B. Devlin, Dr. Edwards, of Frontenac, and W. F. Carroll, Cape Breton. Dr. Edwards made some critical remarks in regard to the enlistment of French-Canadians as soldiers. He likewise made some warm remarks about Bourassa and Lavergne and said that the Government should deprive Col. Lavergne of his military title and exchange him, Bourassa and Senator Choquette for Hon. Dr. Beland.

TWO GERMANS INTERNED

Taken From American Tug at St. John, N. B., and Sent to Amherst—One Averse to Going to War

ST. JOHN, N.B., Jan. 27.—Herman Fulkandorf and William Warran, two Germans who were employed as stewards on the American ocean-going tug Ramos, formerly the Tabasco, of New York, were taken from St. John yesterday to be interned at Amherst, N. S.

When it was learned that the men were Germans they were arrested. The tug captain objected immediately, claiming that his vessel was American and that the men could not be taken off. It was shown that the Ramos had sailed from Fernandina to Portland, Maine, with barges of hard pine, and at Portland had picked up another barge for St. John.

From here she was to go to Spencer's Island, N. S., so as she had entered at one Canadian port and cleared for another it was held the men could be taken.

Fulkendorf said he was glad to be arrested and would much sooner remain in prison in Canada until after the war than return to Germany. He said he came from a village in Saxony, and his father and three brothers had already been killed. Out of the population of his village every man between 18 and 45 years of age had been at the front and he himself had been called for. Warran had little to say except to assert doggedly that he felt sure Germany would win. Nothing was found on the men.

LORD SHAUGHNESSY

Full Title Is Baron Shaughnessy of Montreal and Ashford—Three Others Select Titles

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—Baron Shaughnessy has taken the title of Lord Shaughnessy of Montreal, Canada, and Ashford, County Limerick, Ireland.

Mr. D. A. Thomas, it is understood, proposes on his elevation to the peerage to take the title of Baron Rhondda of Llanwern, in the County of Monmouthshire.

Capt. Cecil Norton, M.P. for West Newington, one of the New Year peers, will take the title of Lord Rathcreedan.

Sir Alexander Henderson, another of the New Year's peers, proposes to take the title of Lord Faringdon.

USE CANADIAN WOODS

Lord Shaughnessy Issues Order Intended to Encourage Employment of Native Product

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—In order to encourage the use of Canadian hard woods for interior decoration, Lord Shaughnessy has issued instructions to use nothing but Canadian forest products in the sleeping, parlor, dining and observation cars, and in the office and hotel buildings of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. This decision was made after careful consideration and experiment.

Lord Shaughnessy had samples of all Canadian hard woods treated at the Angus shops here, where selected specimens were tested with polishes, stains, etc., and the results showed that the Canadian woods compared satisfactorily with imported varieties.

Trial of Former Ministers

WINNIPEG, Jan. 27.—It is expected that the trial of the charges against Sir Rodmond Roblin, George R. Coldwell, and James H. Howden, former Ministers, in connection with the erection of the Manitoba Parliament Buildings, will take place at the Spring Assizes, which, it is announced, will open in Winnipeg on February 28.

Silver Spring Rose, $2.25 per dozen quarts

Coal for Calgary

CALGARY, Jan. 27.—Trainloads of coal from the Lethbridge mines, given the right of way over all other traffic, are being rushed into Calgary over the C. P. R. to relieve the existing coal shortage. There is sufficient steam coal in the city, but the domestic supply is exhausted, and the pinch is being felt severely. With the thermometer registering 30 below zero today, there was considerable suffering in some quarters. The damage to water pipes and plumbing by the cold weather has been heavy in this city.

Forty-one below zero is the official record at 9 a. m., the lowest for many years.

German Flag Torn Down

BERNE, Jan. 27.—An angry crowd at Lausanne, in the Canton of Vaud, tore down a German flag which had been hoisted by the German consul in honor of Emperor William's birthday. The Federal Council of Switzerland held an extraordinary session, at which it was decided to offer an apology to Germany for the insult to the flag. Meetings of the State Council of Vaud and of the Lausanne City Council were held for a like purpose.

Single Men Called Out

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Single men of the ages from 37 to 30 years, enrolled under Lord Derby's scheme, will be called out February 2.

TRAINS SUFFER FURTHER DELAY

Snowstorms Again Block Toronto Express Due Last Night at Vancouver—Roadmaster's Foot Is Frostbitten.

VANCOUVER, B.C., Jan. 28.—Snowstorms on the main line of the C.P.R. in British Columbia last night further delayed the westbound Toronto express, due at 9:30 p.m. and posted at 10:50 p.m. early in the evening. This train, the Number 3, was later posted to arrive at 3 o'clock this morning. Canadian Pacific Railway officials were not advised last night of the exact nature of the trouble or its location, but blizzards whirling down from the northeast again are believed to be the cause of the delay.

Mr. H. Vollans, 1112 Woodland Drive, roadmaster stationed at Vancouver, is the latest casualty resulting from the snow blockade which tied up all the trains earlier in the week. Mr. Vollans went from Vancouver last Saturday as a reinforcement for the snow fighters in the Fraser Canyon. One of the roadmasters was in the hospital suffering from that popular malady, la grippe. Mr. Vollans' big toe on the left foot and part of the foot itself were frozen on Sunday near Yale. With a party of other railway men he walked some distance through the snow. When he felt the first stinging sensation of the frostbite he gave it first aid treatment, but did not see a doctor until several hours later, with the result that the damage was aggravated. He is confined to his residence.

Eight other men now suffering from frostbites received while digging through drifts on the Canadian Northern and Canadian Pacific Railways are reported to be recovering in St. Paul's Hospital.

STORM SEVERE IN CALIFORNIA

Passes Inland With Accompaniment of Fierce Gale and Rain—Interference With Traffic in South.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27.—One of the most unusual storms in intensity in the history of California passed inland from the Pacific today and, according to the United States weather bureau its centre was over San Francisco at 2 p.m., causing the lowest barometer record—28.86—since the establishment of the weather bureau in 1871.

At the outset of the day storm signals were ordered displayed along the coast from San Francisco to San Diego, and San Francisco northward. At one period the wind at Point Reyes, thirty miles north of the city, reached a velocity of ninety-five miles an hour.

A peculiar freak of the storm, noted tonight by the marine bureau of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, was the fact that although Point Lobos, to the southward, and Point Reyes, to the northward, are plainly visible, the wind registered forty miles an hour from the northwest at the former, while a southerly wind was blowing twenty-four miles an hour at Point Reyes.

Great damage was done in the Midway oilfields by today's storm, according to reports received here tonight. Two weeks ago a similar blow toppled over oil derricks in that section, causing losses of more than $500,000.

Los Angeles Situation

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 27.—Los Angeles depended today upon radio service as the only means of telegraphic communication with the rest of the world from 2 p.m. until early tonight, when the W. U. Co. announced the recovery of a single telegraph wire. Strenuous efforts were being made by hundreds of railroad workers to keep the valley line of the Southern Pacific Railroad, the only system of land transportation which withstood the terrific storm which is raging here, from succumbing to the ravages of wind and rain.

All telephone and telegraph wires leading into the city failed shortly after noon, and the night-of-way of the various railroads were visited almost constantly through the day by washouts, which made them impassable for long stretches of the track. Tonight gangs were furnished by three of the railroad companies to co-operate in the task of maintaining the remaining line of land communication.

PLACE EMBARGO ON MUNITIONS

Number of U. S. Senators Insist on Country Violating Neutrality—Resolutions May Come to Vote.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—An outburst of denunciation against shipment of American-made war munitions to European belligerents stirred the Senate today, reflecting a revival of sentiment which may force a vote upon the embargo resolutions that have been pending in committee for several months.

A dozen senators, including Democrats as well as Republicans, assailed the munitions traffic, while dozens who have sided with the Administration in its stand that an embargo would violate international law were for the most part silent.

A petition for an embargo bearing more than a million signatures precipitated the debate. A test vote at one time seemed inevitable, but it was avoided after much preliminary manoeuvring by reference of the petition to the Foreign Relations Committee.

Senator Kenyon, Republican, started the discussion in presenting the petition, which had been sent to the Senate by the organization of American women for strict neutrality. The Iowa senator characterized the sale of munitions as a "cold-blooded money-making proposition," and denounced the policy of praying for peace on Sundays and selling weapons of war on week days as rank hypocrisy.

An embargo was vigorously urged by Senators Hitchcock, Clapp, Works, Ashhurst, Lane, Martine and La Follette. Other senators who spoke in favor of an embargo, but believed the question of whether it might be a breach of neutrality should first be considered by the foreign relations committee, were Clark of Arkansas, Clark of Wyoming, Smoot and Townsend.

Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, before which the embargo resolutions are pending, said he had opinions on the merits of the issue, but believed this was not the time to discuss them.

Senator Robinson was the only senator who expressed himself as actually opposed to an embargo, insisting that it might return to plague the United States in time of conflict with other nations.

From the character of the debate, it was apparent that discussion of the question was certain to creep in again in the near future. Senator Smoot declared that an issue of such importance was sure to be debated for weeks to come.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No letters to the Editor will be printed except over the proper signature of the writer. This rule admits of no exception.

Sheep Raising

Sir,—As an ex-sheepman, I have been greatly interested in the pros and cons expressed by your correspondents on the subject of their possibilities locally with their advantages, and drawbacks. In Mr. Blackall's letters some very good points are touched, almost amounting to comparisons between the two countries, viz., Canada and Australia. However, I do not think they were meant to be taken as such, as really the two are so utterly dissimilar that comparisons are impossible. Take, for instance, the fact that climatic conditions are exactly opposite; Canada ranging from, say 90 degrees above to 60 degrees below zero; Australia about 45 degrees to 120 degrees (in the shade). Neighbors in our part are (on the stocked and habited areas), about a mile apart, whereas a Queensland squatter's nearest friend is probably nearer 30 miles. You may frequently travel for two days there without meeting a soul; an almost impossibility here. Down under that continent reaches from warm to the Equator. How different to our, "from what" to the North Pole. We have an almost greater variety of climates than any continent of the same area, and yet land for land, there is no very great difference in square miles to Australia in the pastoral and agricultural industries; everything there is on a large scale, with long leases, while here such great areas are not held by one individual or company. On the subject of sheep, 5,000 is quite a large flock here or even on range country. The Winter, at all events on the Prairies, necessitates many loads of hay, and there hay cut one year is a negligible quantity for the two years following. Queensland carries eight sheep to the acre or requires eight acres to the sheep in droughts when there is no grass except what is in the dust, but three weeks after rain, grass is two feet high everywhere, and I have seen rich black soil six and seven feet deep. We can boast of nothing like that hereabouts. Comparing the coyote with the dingo, the same means of destruction applies. Here they are hunted, trapped and shot; there poisoned baits, a piece of fat or meat slit and filled with strychnine is rolled up in a piece of paper, and dropped in their haunts, and does keep them down considerably, with also the help of trappers, for a scalp is worth 10s. ($2.50). Another good trap for carnivorous pests was a piece of wood smeared with grease and strychnine, which they will keep on licking until their first drink of water, leaving them to be found at the water hole. Thieves do not get off as they wish, as a black tracker has known to take a man, after a three weeks' chase, given no rain in the meantime, and over 100 miles from the locality of the theft. Again, stock areas run from frequently 200 square miles to more than 1,500 square miles with as many as 200,000 sheep, all of which are mustered and shorn in about eight weeks. This will show that losses from many causes are very large, a tremendous number from getting bogged in the drying muddy water holes, grass-seed, dingoes, etc., by these large quantities they would hardly know of their losses or miss except at the general count at shearing time, the paddocks running into the million square and many being twenty miles or more from the head station and are not visited by anyone except the boundary rider (or repairer of fences), etc., for over stretches of six months or more, and then only at lambing time or for shearing or sale purposes. I have been expecting to hear replies to your published letters from those who have attempted the industry, and who have told me that they cannot get ahead with cattle or sheep without the permission of the agents or buyers for Gordon, Ironsides & Fares and P. Burns, who, I am told, have their retail buyers so tied that they dare not do any purchasing for fear of unpleasant reprisals. How much is that fact worth? It is an old saying that sheep have golden feet, and why should it be different here where destructive enemies are few, poisonous plants are almost unheard of, and very little cause for foot rot, bottle, or the great grass-seed pest that can kill by thousands or spoil the value of the fleece. Fevers causing the falling off of the wool should be unknown, and there are no snakes (locally). If the industry is not profitable on this Island, it can, as far as I can see, be only and principally owing to tied markets of something similar. Cattle and sheep duffing (stealing) was a successful proposition at one time, but is now reduced to a minimum by punishment to fit the crime. Two can always play at that game. On a droving trip of 500 miles to sometimes 1,000 as many as 20,000, and even 70,000, are taken from the west to the coast or down to Melbourne, 20,000 being considered an ordinary travelling amount, employing two shepherds to each 5,000, with the usual additions of cook, horse boy, boss and second in charge, and being compelled by law to travel at the rate of six miles at least a day, for sheep, makes the trip a fifteen weeks' one or more, according to distances, and therefore a very good paying one to all concerned. To show that a sheep need not drop its wool annually under healthy conditions, I may mention that a wild sheep was caught near the Tauranga, Auckland, N. Z., boundary, with a 22-inch staple. Of course, it was an absolutely wild one.

On the local industries of omission and bad management one could dilate at some length, but talking and suggesting costs nothing, and seems useless, as no one seems to take the interest or advice of those whose advice should be worth while. For the present I will perforce stop to dodge the prospective brick, but I would like to see possible industries tackled in the right spirit.

E. B. SHAKESPEAR.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24, 1916.

Snow Shovelling

Sir,—I have been considerably surprised that in this year of grace anyone, however uncultured, should hold the views set forth in the letter of one T. F. Higginbotham, page eleven, in your issue of the 26th.

I am far more uncultured than your uncultured correspondent, yet will have to admit that I have not the slightest intention of removing snow from the sidewalk surrounding my one-room mansion. My reasons for assuming this brutish attitude may be of some interest, seeing that must be so remarkably uncultured.

Quite beside any other reason, I feel that in being compelled to make a yearly sacrifice, amounting to a small fortune, to the City for local improvements, covering sewer connection, paved streets, cement sidewalks and the upkeep thereof, it is the city's business to look after the work, the burden of the payment whereof I have been forced to assume.

If the civic authorities clean the streets, they must also clean the sidewalks; if, on the other hand, the sidewalks belong to the lots which they adjoin, then so does half the street, and if we clean the sidewalks we must also clean our part of the street. Mr. Higginbotham now being informed that his operations should be thus extended, we may be assured that the street sweeper who is fortunate enough to attend to his street will have an enthusiastic assistant.

Speaking of street sweepers suggests to me that, now that they are unable to attend to their duties in the main thoroughfares, they should turn their attention to the sidewalks, and thus will perform those acts which even the most rustic mind must conceive impossible to devolve on an inhabitant of a modern city, whatever may be the custom in an Eastern village.

In regard to the children, it will be fairly obvious to anyone understanding their ways, that it is preposterous to suggest that, by removing the snow from the sidewalks, they will thereby be prevented from getting wet feet. Personally, I would like to see the child who would not deliberately choose the snow-covered street for walking, in preference to a clean sidewalk.

In any case, streets must be crossed and school yards played in and, to anyone possessing two eyes, it will be apparent that snow is not remarkable for its absence in these places.

As to accidents, my uncultured intelligence suggests that I would prefer to take the chance of falling on the soft snow, than to venture on a glistening sidewalk where an unsuspected ice crust left by an amateur sweeper would precipitate me on the less sympathetic cement.

T. C. CRAWSHAW.

P.O. Box 882, Victoria, B.C.,
Jan. 26, 1916.

Britain's Shipbuilding

LONDON, Jan. 27.—According to Lloyd's summary of shipbuilding in 1915, Great Britain's output in mercantile tonnage was 1,032,629 below the previous year. Three hundred and seventeen steamers, aggregating 649,629 tons, were built, and ten sailing vessels, totalling 2,390 tons, were constructed.

Soldiers' Mistake

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The expedition into Mexico yesterday by American troops to rescue Ptes. William F. Wheiler and Higgo Pederson, of Battery D, 4th Field Artillery, who had been captured by two armed Mexicans, was an act of hostility, according to Secretary of State Lansing.

Youthful Chicago Robbers

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Holding depositors and employees of the institution at bay, five youths, ranging in age from 17 to 20 years, today robbed the Washington Park Savings Bank of $12,000 ten minutes after it had opened for business, and escaped in a motor car.

For Relief of Jews

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—Pledges aggregating nearly $1,000,000 for the relief of the Jews in the war-swept countries of Europe were announced at a mass meeting held tonight.

Frozen to Death

REDDING, Cal., Jan. 27.—Michael Tierny, a wood chopper, was found frozen to death today three miles from here, covered by a heavy fall of snow which fell early today, and which caused the collapse of small buildings here and in surrounding towns. A wing of the Kellogg Hotel, at Hayfork, and scores of barns were crushed by the weight of the snow.

DAVID SPENCER, LIMITED

Last Few Days of Our 38th January Sale

Satin, Sateen and Moire Underskirts in a Big Clean-Up Today at

45c, 95c and $1.50

UNDERSKIRT Bargains here that women will revel in today, and early shopping will be essential for best selection. Some the finest bargains offered for some considerable time will make this sale doubly attractive.

AT 45c

There are black sateens, cerise satins, also Washing Skirts in striped galatea and ginghams. Most serviceable qualities and rare values.

AT 95c

Black sateens, also a range of colored satins in shades of cerise, tan, and fawn. These are regular $1.90 grades.

AT $1.50

Mostly moire silks, and these are in colors tan, brown, white and black, also all shades of blue. Very serviceable qualities.

—First Floor

Final Clearance of Children's Hats Today at 25c and 50c

Children's Fancy Silk Bonnets Go at 50c

—Selling Second Floor

$15.00 and $17.50 Winter Coats in a Final Clean-Up Today at

$7.50

WE intend clearing the balance of our Winter Coats before the January Sale ends, and to do it we have made still further price concessions. All Coats that were selling earlier in the season marked at $15.00 and $17.50—also a few higher prices—have been grouped into this one offering for further quick selling. The opportunity to save one-half, and even more, is a rare chance and one that cannot fail to appeal to all women who are in need of a warm, cosy Winter Coat.

Every Coat in this offering is a new, stylish model, mostly featuring belted effects and high neck closing. A few models are even fur trimmed. All sizes to 42 in the lot, and you choose from browns, greens, blues, black and fancy tweed mixtures. Shop early and get best selection of styles and sizes.

—Selling First Floor

Ladies' Neckwear Specials

Very dainty pieces of new Neckwear—all the very latest styles and novelties and nearly every piece different, because traveler's samples.

Values to $2.00 for .....50¢
Values to $1.00 for .....25¢
Values to 35c for .....15¢

Fancy Ribbons—Values to 50c clearing at, yard .....25¢

Ribbon Remnants at Greatly Reduced Prices.

Damaged Handkerchiefs—Clearing at, each .....5¢

—Main Floor

End of Sale Clean-Up of Waists at 45c, $1.50 and $2.90

SURPLUS sizes and small lots grouped into three prices for a quick clean-up. These prices are about half their regulars.

AT 45¢ the Waists are mostly in black and white striped voiles; sizes 34 and 36.

AT $1.50, mostly navy blue and black messaline silks, in tailored style with separate collar.

AT $2.90, various small lots of better Waists, in white crepe de Chine, light and dark striped silks, also navy, sky, maize and black silks, in various styles.

—First Floor

Men's All-Wool Khaki Sweaters Specially Priced for Today

BOTH of the following offerings are fine quality All-Wool Sweaters and, being in khaki shade, particularly serviceable for military wear.

Beautiful Quality All-Wool Sweater Coats, the very thing for soldiers in training or at the front. Each Sweater finished with military collar and two pockets. Two dozen only. Reg. $6.75 grade, today $5.50

Men's All-Wool Medium Weight Khaki Sweater Coat, V-shape neck and two side pockets. Most useful for wearing under coat or tunic. Reg. $5.75 grade, today $4.75

—Main Floor

La Grippe

A few popular and well-tried Tonics for building up the system after an attack of la grippe and severe colds:

Dr. Howard's Preparations—
Orange Quinine Wine, quart bottles .....75¢
Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites .....75¢
Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, $1.00 size for .....80¢
Quinine and Iron Tonic, 50c size for .....35¢
Dr. Lebig's Beef and Iron Wine, large bottle .....75¢
Wincarnis—
Pint size .....95¢
Quart size $1.60

—Drugs, Main Floor

Men Buy Regular $1.75 to $4.00 Hats Today at $1.00

WE are clearing out all surplus sizes and broken assortments, previous to stocktaking, so this lot of Hats to go out at a bargain price. Included are very fine values—Hats that regularly sell from $1.75 to $4.00, and you choose from smart styles in friezes and felts, in shades of blue, brown, tan, green, fawn, grey and black. Also Donegal tweeds in light and dark mixtures. Practically all sizes in the lot, but not in each style.

—Selling Main Floor

Watch for Full Details of Our

Semi-Annual Whitewear Sale, to Start Monday Next, January 31

Housefurnishing Sale Will Start Wednesday, February 2

Plain Cashmere and Ribbed Hose

—in a large variety of qualities and all sizes for women and misses.

Plain Black Cashmere Hose. Special at, pair .....35¢
3 pairs for $1.00
Plain Black Cashmere Hose. Special at, pair .....50¢
Plain Black Cashmere Hose. A splendid quality for wear, and strongly recommended. A pair .....65¢
Other values at, pair, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25
Ribbed Hose in ladies' sizes, 5 to 10. Pure wool, full fashioned, 1 in 1 and 2 in 1 ribbed; black and tan. Priced according to size at, pair, 35c to $1.00
Cashmere Hose, in O. S., all sizes; strong and durable.

—Main Floor

A Clearance of Wool Cloakings

Values $2.25 to $3.50 Clearing at, Yard ... $1.50

—54 to 60 inches wide, and these are various novelty fabrics to choose from—all splendid wearing qualities.

—Main Floor

Surplus Sizes in Boys' Overcoats

Values to $9.00
Clearing at $4.50

MOST serviceable quality Overcoats for Boys, and if all sizes were here, we would not be offering them at this low price. They are mostly in double-breasted style, with belt back, and sizes to 8 years. You choose from browns, blues and grey tweed mixtures, black and white diagonals and corduroy velvets—all splendid wearing qualities.

—Main Floor

Oddments in Men's Woolen Undervests—

Values to $2.00
Clear Today at 50c

THESE were traveler's sample pieces, and all very fine grade wool. About 20 garments in the lot, and at the above prices will require early shopping.

—Main Floor

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